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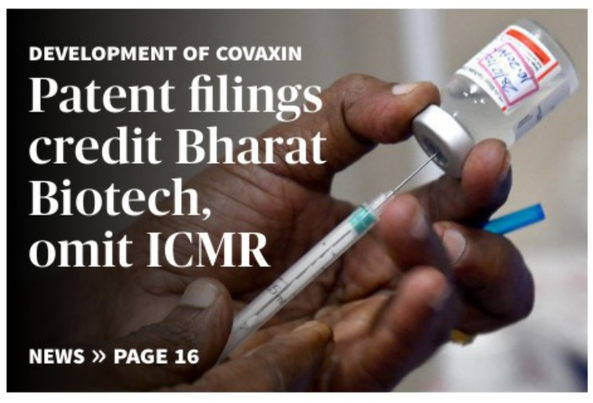

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BENGALURU
After nearly two-and-a-half years of construction, the multi-level parking at Freedom Park was finally opened to the public on Friday. » Page 4

Vegetable prices breach ₹100 a kg mark

BENGALURU
After vegetable prices kept going up for months due to drought, consumers were relieved when the skies opened. But now, prices have again gone up, with many vegetables crossing the ₹100 per kg mark in the city, much to people's dismay. » Page 7

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EC begins work on polls in J&K and three States

It will be the first Assembly election since abrogation of Article 370, division of J&K into two UTs; delimitation of constituencies to be held; Haryana, Maharashtra, Jharkhand too gear up for polls

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Election Commission (EC) has kicked off preparations for holding Assembly elections in Haryana, Maharashtra, Jharkhand and Jammu and Kashmir by updating electoral rolls in these States.

The terms of the existing legislative Assemblies will end on November 3 (Haryana), November 26 (Maharashtra) and January 5, 2025 (Jharkhand) and polls are required to be conducted before the completion of their terms.

Assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir are also to be conducted for constituting a new House after delimitation of constituencies, the EC said in a statement on Friday.

Prelude to polls

The EC's schedule for the poll process in the States

- July 1 will be the cut-off date for updating electoral rolls
- The pre-update exercise will begin on June 25
- The final rolls will be published on August 20
- The terms of Haryana, Maharashtra and Jharkhand Assemblies will end on Nov. 3, Nov. 26 and Jan. 5, respectively

"Witnessing the huge participation of the people of Jammu and Kashmir in the recent Lok Sabha elections, the commission has also directed for updating electoral rolls in the Union Territory with July 1, 2024 as the qualifying date," the statement said.

In December last year, the Supreme Court had directed the poll body to hold Assembly polls in Jammu and Kashmir by September 30.

PM, CEC's stand

On Thursday, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said Assembly polls would be held soon in Jammu and Kashmir and plans were also afoot to restore Statehood to the Union Territory.

Chief Election Commissioner Rajiv Kumar said recently that the poll body would soon initiate the process of holding Assembly polls in the Union Territory after witnessing the enthusiastic response during the Lok Sabha polls. It will be the first Assembly polls since the abrogation of Article 370 and the bifurcation of Jammu and Kashmir into two Union Territories.

The poll body said July 1 would be the qualifying date for the electoral rolls update.

The pre-update exercise will begin on June 25 to set up or rationalise polling stations at locations most convenient to electors in group housing societies, slums, city outgrowths and rural areas. The final electoral rolls will be published on August 20.

Kejriwal to remain in jail as HC stays bail order of court

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

After a day-long hearing on the Enforcement Directorate's plea challenging the bail granted to Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal in the excise policy case, the Delhi High Court on Friday put on hold the trial court's order.

"Till the pronouncement of this order, the operation of the impugned order (of the trial court) shall remain stayed," a Vacation Bench of Justice Sudhir Kumar Jain said, adding that he was reserving the order for two to three days as he wanted to go through the entire records.

The ED had moved an urgent plea challenging the trial court's bail order, which was passed late Thursday evening. Additional Solicitor General (ASG) S.V. Raju, representing the ED, contended that

Arvind Kejriwal

the agency was not given adequate opportunity to argue its case by the trial court.

On the other hand, senior advocates Abhishek Singhvi and Vikram Chaudhari, representing Mr. Kejriwal, urged the High Court not to stay the bail order; they instead suggested that the court send him back to jail if it found overwhelming and cogent circumstances.

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T.N. hooch tragedy toll hits 50; panel begins probe

The Hindu Bureau
KALLAKURICHI

The death toll in the hooch tragedy in Tamil Nadu rose to 50 with 13 more persons losing their lives after consuming spurious liquor at Karunapuram in Kallakurichi.

The victims included five women and a trans person.

Most of those who died on the interim night between Thursday and Friday were residents of Karunapuram.

Twenty-seven persons died at the Government Kallakurichi Medical College Hospital, 16 at the Government Mohan Kumaramangalam Medical College Hospital in Salem, four at the Government Villupuram Medical College Hospital and three at JIPMER, Puducherry.

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McLaren's quest to reclaim its glory days is well on track

After a dismal decade of underperformance, Formula One's second-most-successful team has begun to turn things around. A runner-up finish this season, which is well within reach, will mark a definite inflection point in its protracted bid to rejoin the grid's elite

S. Dipak Ragav

Ferrari has been Formula One's pre-eminent force. A competitive Ferrari has always helped the health of motorsport's most prestigious category, with a passionate, worldwide fanbase tuning in.

But every sport needs a fierce rivalry to get the buzz going. Ferrari's closest historical competitor is McLaren, F1's second-most-successful outfit in terms of wins and championships.

The eponymous team, founded by Bruce McLaren, has powered the likes of Niki Lauda, Alain Prost, Mika Hakkinen and Lewis Hamilton to titles. More importantly, it is best known as the outfit with which Ayrton Senna, one of F1's greatest-ever drivers, won his three championships.

A part of F1 folklore

The Ferrari-McLaren battles – Senna vs. Prost, Schumacher vs. Hakkinen, and later Raikkonen/Massa/Alonso vs. Hamilton – are part of F1 folklore.

However, the eight-time constructors' champion, which also has 12 drivers' titles, has endured a decade of underperformance since 2013. In 2024, though, things are finally looking up for the British team, as it fights for wins and podiums consistently, raising the fans' excitement level.

"It is important for F1 to have a competitive McLaren. After Ferrari, it is the team with the most loyal fanbase, and these are the two teams where the fanbase for them is bigger than their drivers," says Karun Chandhok, India's second F1 driver, now a TV pundit.

The team's decline started when it adopted a new car concept in 2013, after fighting for the title in 2012. Its ill-fated switch in 2015 to Honda power units, which were uncompetitive and unreliable, exacerbated the problem. From 2015 to 2018, the team was in the bottom half of the standings. There was also turmoil off the track due to management and ownership changes.

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>
> **KARUN CHANDHOK**
> Former F1 driver

"When they went to the Honda engine, they struggled. There was a cultural clash between McLaren and the Japanese side. There was a lot of blame on the engine front, but they also took their eyes off the chassis. So when they went to Renault [2018-2020], it was a shock and an eye-opener for them that it wasn't all the [fault of the] Honda engine, but there were deficiencies on the chassis side, which had to be addressed," says Chandhok.

It was only in 2019 that McLaren started laying down the building blocks for its recovery under former team principal Andreas Seidl. Since then, the team has been bouncing around to be the best of the rest behind Mercedes, Red Bull and Ferrari. The highlight was the 2021 Italian GP, where Daniel Ricciardo led Lando Norris to a 1-2 finish, McLaren's first win since 2012.

Closing the gap

Over the last two years, there has been a growing belief that good days are on the horizon, as the Woking-based team has started to close the gap to the top.

After starting the 2022 rules cycle on the back foot, the team missed the initial targets for 2023 and struggled even to score points in the early part of last year. In the background, there was another management shake-up, with Andrea Stella becoming team principal, and changes to the technical structure, including the departure of technical director James Key.

Fortunately, the team has methodically put the pieces together under Stella. McLaren fashioned a sensational turnaround last year, becoming the second-fastest car at some weekends during the season's second half. The progress has continued this year, with Norris registering his maiden victory in Miami and the team notching up five other podium finishes.

In the recent Canadian GP, Norris finished second and teammate Oscar Piastri came home fifth. A year ago, McLaren would have taken the result gladly, but now, the race will go down as a missed opportunity, showing how far the team has come.

Chandhok credits Stella and CEO Zak Brown with getting the team back on track. "He [Stella] is a pragmatic leader. His core belief is about engineering success and being honest about things when they are not working. There is a no-blame culture, and he ensures that people are empowered to speak up and highlight any weakness in the collective system that helps them move forward. He has been a fantastic asset for McLaren," says Chandhok.

"Zak [Brown] has gone on and found the money, and the team has more than 40 partners to give the financial muscle to invest in the factory and people to grow the team."

Strong driver pairing

Apart from the technical talent and resources, McLaren also has one of the stronger driver pairings in Norris and Piastri, both of whom made their F1 debut with the team.

In 2021 and 2022, Norris blew away the experienced Ricciardo, showing how well he could adapt to a tricky car.

His consistent ability to extract the most from his car has led to him being considered one of the grid's elite drivers, alongside Max Verstappen, Hamilton and Charles Leclerc.

Piastri, meanwhile, has impressed everyone in only his second year and even won a sprint race last year in Qatar. Though he has areas to work on, like his tyre management in races, the Australian has kept Norris on his toes and has often been quicker over one lap in qualifying.

"Apart from Lewis and Charles in what Ferrari will have next year, this is the best line-up in F1. Oscar is incredibly fast, calm, methodical and a good team player. He and Lando are fast drivers but have similar styles, wanting the same thing from a car. It means that the team can develop the car in the same direction. Lando has good experience now but is also maturing. There is a difference between a guy scoring points and someone fighting for podiums and wins. It takes a different level of maturity, and we are seeing that," says Chandhok.

At the same time, the engineering group has also made the car more of an all-rounder. "Over the last few years, the car had a lot of drag, making it slow on the straight line. Last year, they also struggled in slow corners. But now, they have widened the envelope of the car's performance, reducing drag without losing downforce. There is no real weakness, and it is competitive on most tracks," explains Chandhok.

As the F1 circus prepares for the triple-header in Spain, Austria and Britain, McLaren will hope to be right up there at the sharp end of the grid.

While the team is not far off leader Red Bull, a title fight may not be on the cards this year. But if McLaren can finish runner-up – it trails second-placed Ferrari by just 40 points in the constructors' standings, and Norris is third, seven points behind Leclerc, among the drivers – it will mark a critical inflection point in its quest to reclaim its glory days.

STACKING UP

ATP Men's Top 15

#	Player	Age	Points	Events
1	Jannik Sinner	22	9,480	18
2	Carlos Alcaraz	21	8,580	17
3	Novak Djokovic	37	8,360	18
4	Alexander Zverev	27	6,885	25
5	Daniil Medvedev	28	6,485	18
6	Andrey Rublev	26	4,710	24
7	Alex de Minaur	25	4,085	25
8	Casper Ruud	25	4,025	24
9	Hubert Hurkacz	27	3,950	23
10	Grigor Dimitrov	33	3,775	21
11	Stefanos Tsitsipas	25	3,740	24
12	Taylor Fritz	26	3,090	24
13	Tommy Paul	27	2,750	24
14	Ben Shelton	21	2,590	25
15	Holger Rune	21	2,540	23

Top Indians ▶

Sumit Nagal
Rank 71 ▲ 6 spots

Ramkumar Ramanathan
Rank 330 ▼ 1 spot

WTA Women's Top 15

#	Player	Age	Points	Events
1	Iga Swiatek	23	11,695	19
2	Coco Gauff	20	7,988	19
3	Aryna Sabalenka	26	7,788	17
4	Elena Rybakina	25	5,973	19
5	Jessica Pegula	30	4,625	21
6	Marketa Vondrousova	24	4,503	18
7	Jasmine Paolini	28	4,068	26
8	Qinwen Zheng	21	4,005	21
9	Maria Sakkari	28	3,980	23
10	Ons Jabeur	29	3,748	24
11	Danielle Collins	30	3,532	20
12	Madison Keys	29	3,343	16
13	Jelena Ostapenko	27	3,318	23
14	Daria Kasatkina	27	3,088	24
15	Liudmila Samsonova	25	2,830	25

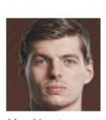
Top Indians ▶

Ankita Raina
Rank 269 ▲ 9 spots

Sahaja Yamalapalli
Rank 323 ▲▼ No change

F1 Drivers' standings

#	Driver	Team	Points	Wins
1	Max Verstappen	Red Bull	194	6
2	Charles Leclerc	Ferrari	138	1
3	Lando Norris	McLaren	131	1
4	Carlos Sainz	Ferrari	108	1
5	Sergio Perez	Red Bull	107	0
6	Oscar Piastri	McLaren	81	0
7	George Russell	Mercedes	69	0
8	Lewis Hamilton	Mercedes	55	0
9	Fernando Alonso	Aston Martin	41	0
10	Yuki Tsunoda	RB	19	0
11	Lance Stroll	Aston Martin	17	0
12	Daniel Ricciardo	RB	9	0
13	Oliver Bearman	Ferrari	6	0
14	Nico Hulkenberg	Haas	6	0
15	Pierre Gasly	Alpine	3	0
16	Alex Albon	Williams	2	0
17	Esteban Ocon	Alpine	2	0
18	Kevin Magnussen	Haas	1	0
19	Zhou Guanyu	Sauber	0	0
20	Valtteri Bottas	Sauber	0	0



Max Verstappen

Charles Leclerc

F1 Constructors' standings

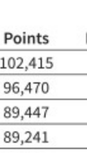
Pos	Team	Points	Wins
1	Red Bull	301	6
2	Ferrari	252	2
3	McLaren	212	1
4	Mercedes	124	0
5	Aston Martin	58	0
6	RB	28	0
7	Haas	7	0
8	Alpine	5	0
9	Williams	2	0
10	Sauber	0	0

Badminton Men's ranking

#	Player	Points	Events
1	Shi Yu Qi	102,415	18
2	Viktor Axelsen	96,470	16
3	Jonatan Christie	89,447	18
4	Anders Antonsen	89,241	23
5	Li Shi Feng	86,756	20
6	Kodai Naraoka	83,697	21
7	Lee Zii Jia	78,816	24
8	Kunlavut Vitidsarn	77,508	19
9	Anthony Sinisuka Ginting	70,485	18
10	Kenta Nishimoto	66,232	26
11	Loh Kean Yew	65,193	24
12	Chou Tien Chen	64,567	31
13	Prannoy H. S.	63,792	20
14	Lakshya Sen	63,518	20
15	Lin Chun-Yi	60,261	32

Top Indians ▶

Prannoy H. S.
Rank 13



Lakshya Sen
Rank 14

Badminton Women's ranking

#	Player	Points	Events
1	An Se Young	113,217	16
2	Chen Yu Fei	104,282	18
3	Tai Tzu Ying	92,221	19
4	Carolina Marin	91,936	17
5	Akane Yamaguchi	86,427	13
6	Wang Zhi Yi	83,215	21
7	Han Yue	77,609	24
8	He Bing Jiao	74,868	17
9	Gregoria Mariska Tunjung	73,862	22
10	Aya Ohori	66,267	24
11	Beiwen Zhang	64,556	23
12	P.V. Sindhu	61,882	18
13	Supanida Katethong	60,494	27
14	Nozomi Okuhara	60,341	23
15	Zhang Yi Man	59,734	19

Top Indians ▶

P.V. Sindhu
Rank 12

Aakarshi Kashyap
Rank 40

Test Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Kane Williamson	859	919
2	Joe Root	824	923
3	Babar Azam	768	882
3	Daryl Mitchell	768	804
5	Steve Smith	757	947
6	Rohit Sharma	751	813
7	Yashasvi Jaiswal	740	740
8	Dimuth Karunaratne	739	783
9	Virat Kohli	737	937
10	Harry Brook	735	773

Test Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	R. Ashwin	870	904
2	Josh Hazlewood	847	864
2	Jasprit Bumrah	847	881
4	Kagiso Rabada	834	902
5	Pat Cummins	820	914
6	Nathan Lyon	801	801
7	Ravindra Jadeja	788	899
8	James Anderson	739	903
9	Shaheen Afridi	733	836
10	Kyle Jamieson	729	836

ODI Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Babar Azam	824	898
2	Shubman Gill	801	847
3	Virat Kohli	768	909
4	Harry Tector	746	767
4	Rohit Sharma	746	882
6	Daryl Mitchell	728	750
7	David Warner	723	869
8	Pathum Nissanka	711	728
9	Dawid Malan	707	730
10	Rassie van der Dussen	701	796

ODI Bowling

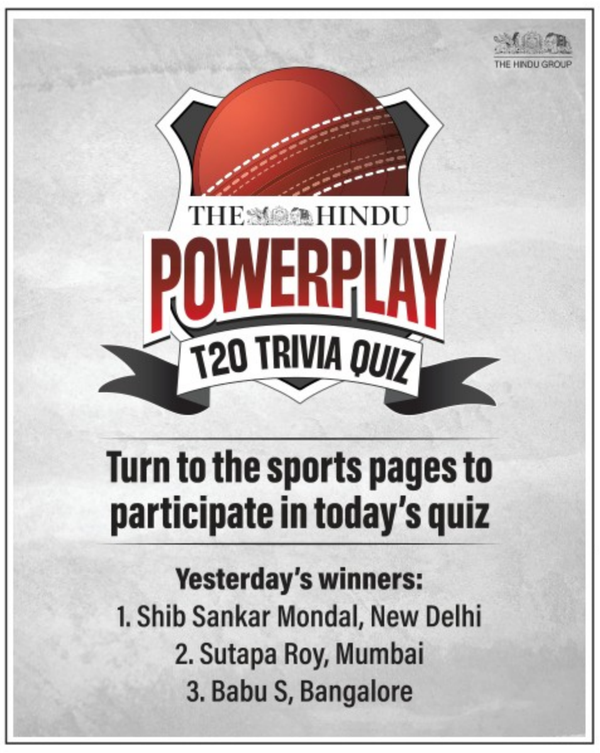
#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Keshav Maharaj	716	741
2	Josh Hazlewood	688	727
3	Adam Zampa	686	695
4	Mohammed Siraj	678	736
5	Jasprit Bumrah	665	838
6	Mohammad Nabi	656	657
7	Shaheen Afridi	650	688
8	Kuldeep Yadav	645	760
9	Trent Boult	643	775
10	Bernard Scholtz	642	642

T20I Batting

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Suryakumar Yadav	837	910
2	Philip Salt	771	807
3	Babar Azam	755	896
4	Mohammad Rizwan	746	875
5	Travis Head	742	742
6	Jos Buttler	710	720
7	Yashasvi Jaiswal	693	739
8	Aiden Markram	674	796
9	Brandon King	668	704
10	Reeza Hendricks	661	709

T20I Bowling

#	Player	Rating	Career best
1	Adil Rashid	696	746
2	Akeal Hosein	675	683
3	Wanindu Hasaranga	674	797
4	Rashid Khan	657	816
5	Anrich Nortje	656	695
6	Fazalhaq Farooqi	653	692
7	Josh Hazlewood	652	806
8	Adam Zampa	648	743
9	Axar Patel	646	667
10	Maheesh Theekshana	644	684



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SIIORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(TWO COVER SYSTEM)
(Through GoK KPP Portal https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in only)

The Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Quality Assurance/Quality Control division invites Request the Proposal from interested persons/firms those who have done similar type of work for Consultancy Services for Project Management including Supervision, Quality control (PMC) for the below works

S.N.	Name of the work
1	Providing PMC Services including Supervision, Quality control for the "Improvements to drain and footpath of Narayanapura Main Road from Thanisandra Main Road to Yelahanka Zone boundary in Byatarayanapura Assembly Constituency". **EMD :** Rs. 2,500/-.
2	Providing PMC Services including Supervision Quality control for the "Improvements to drain and asphalting to Rachenahalli-Srirarnpura main road from Thanisandra circle to Srirampura village in Byatarayanappra Assembly Constituency". **EMD :** Rs. 5,000/-.
3	Providing PMC Services including Supervision, Quality control for the "Construction of Balance portion of ROB in lieu of LC No 11A at KM-13/300-400 at Jakkur between Channasandra and Yelahanka station". **EMD:** Rs. 37,000/-.
4	Providing PMC Services including Supervision, Quality control for the "Improvements and Asphalting to selected Main and Cross of Manyata Residency Layout in Yelahanka Zone". **EMD :** Rs. 20,000/-.
5	Providing PMC Services including Supervision, Quality control for the "Repairs to Damaged portion of 13th Main Road, 20th Cross Road of Sahakamagara. Amco Layout Main Road, Bhadrappa Layout signal to BEL Circle (Yelahanka Zone)". **EMD :** Rs. 2,000/-.

Time Schedule/Calendar of events: 1) Tender Document may be downloaded through Eportal form: 26.06.2024. **2) Pre-bid Meeting :** 29.06.2024 at 4.00 PM Office of the Executive Engineer(QA/QC) R.no.101, Annex-3 building, BBMP N R Square, Bangalore-560 002. 3) Last Date & Time for receipt of Tenders: 06.07.2024 up to 4:30 PM. 4) Opening of Technical bid : 09.07.2024at 11:30 AM. 5) Validity of Tender : 90 Days from last date of receipts of Tender.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, QA/QC Division, Yelahanka Zone

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER RCD, ROAD DIVISION, JAMSHEDPUR, JHARKHAND

Very Short e-Procurement Notice
For National Competitive Bidding

4th Call

Very Short e-Tender Reference No. RCD/JAMSHEDPUR/1003, Date-21.06.2024

1.	Name of the work	IRQP/STRENGTHENING work of (A) Shankosai (road no 5) to Gudrubasa Dimna basti, Hayat Basti road (Total length 1.6 KM) (B) Baliguma bagan area to J V Mahto Home road. (Total length 1.3KM) (C) Shankosai road no 5 near bridge to kedar bagan road (length 1.650 KM) (D) Yeshu bhawan(on old Puruliya road) to Alibag colony Road (length 1.0 KM) (E) Mango -Pardih Road no -2 to Road no-7 up to Madina Masjid road (length 1.5 KM) (F) Mango-Dimna road to Rajendranagar road (length 1.0 KM) (G) Mango pardih road to Ekra basti,Haldhar Mahto colony road (length 1.140 KM) under RCD Road Division Jamshedpur for the year 2023-24. (Total Road length 9.19 KM)
2.	Estimated Cost of Work (in INR)	Rs 8,78,08,480.70 (Rupees Eight Crore Seventy Eight Lakh Eight Thousand Four Hundred & Eighty and Paise Seventy Only)
3.	Initial Bid Security (Rs In Lacs)	Rs 8.79 Lakh (Rupees Eight Lakh Seventy nine thousand only).
4.	Initial Bid Security in the shape of	Initial Bid Security - As per SOP issued by Information Technology and e-Governance Department, Govt. of Jharkhand vide Letter No.120, Dt. 03.10.2023
5.	Cost of Bidding documents	Rs 10,000.00 (Rs Ten Thousand) only.
6.	Time of Completion	08 (Eight Months)
7.	Date of Publication of Tender on website	24.06.2024 at 12.30 P.M.
8.	Start date of bidding	24.06.2024 from 12.30 P.M.
9.	Last date & Time for online bidding	02.07.2024 up to 02.00 PM.
10.	Type of Bid	Two envelope mode (Technical and Financial Bid)
11.	Last date & time for receipt of Bid Security and other documents in Online form	02.07.2024 Through e-tendering portal www.jharkhandtenders.gov.in As per SOP issued by Information Technology and e-Governance Department, Govt. of Jharkhand vide Letter No.120, Dt. 03.10.2023
12.	Date & time for opening of Technical Bid	03.07.2024 at 3.00 PM by e-Procurement Cell, Room No. 330A, 3rd floor, Road Construction Department, Jharkhand Mantralaya , Dhurwa , Ranchi
13.	Name & address of office Inviting tender	Executive Engineer, RCD, Road Division, Jamshedpur, Road No.- 1, CH Area.
14.	Contact no. of Procurement officer	0657-2227724
15.	Helpline number of e-Procurement cell	0651-2401010

Above informations are only indicative. Detail NIT & SBD publised on Tender portal shall be final and mandatory. Details can be seen on website http://jharkhandtenders.gov.in

PR 327205 (Road) 24-25 (D)

Executive Engineer RCD, Road Division, Jamshedpur

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

Tender Notice No. 16-MYS 2024-25 Dated: 19.06.2024

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, invites E-tenders for the following works:

SL	Item of Works	Approx. Value
1	Automatic axle box temperature recording system. **Tender No. L9245710**	Rs. 35.68 Lakhs
2	15T EOT Crane **Tender no. L9245207**	Rs. 51.50 Lakhs
3	5 watt VHF Digital Walkie Talkie Set **Tender no. L924526A**	Rs. 131.70 Lakhs

Last date of submission of bid for tender for Sl no. 1 is 18.07.24, Sl no. 2 is 08.07.24 and Sl no. 3 is 11.07.24 at 10.30AM.

For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in

Senior Divisional Materials Manager Mysuru

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that my client **"Lakshmidevi W/o. Mr.Manjunath V."**, Residing at # 45, 3rd Main, Jenakallu Siddeshwara Nagar, Geleyara Balaga, VTC, Nandini Layout Post, Bangalore North District, Bangalore, intends to purchase the Property bearing No.519, Khatha No.991/25/519, in Sy.No.25, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet, totally measuring 1200 square feet along with A.C.Sheet House, situated at **3rd Main Road, 17th Cross, Agrahara Layout, Yelahanka Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk,** (Earlier Jakkur Group Panchayath), Bengaluru BBMP Ward No.05, now within the limits of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike, Bengaluru, which is bounded as follows:

East by : Road, West by : Property No.524, North by : Property No.518, South by : Property No.520.

From its owners **1) Mr.Mahadeva Rao** S/o. Murari Rao and his children **2) Mr.Govardhan Rao, 3) Mrs.Nirmala Bai M.**, Residing at # 519, 3rd Maih Road, 17th Cross, Agrahara Layout, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru – 560 064.

Persons having any right over the said property may lodge their objections/claims with documentary evidence within **10 days** from the date of this notice, failing which it would be presumed that there are no claims over the said property.

M.V.J. Law Chambers, Jayalakshmi M.V. Advocate
No.193/5, 3rd Floor, Ganesha Block, West of Chord Road, 1st Block, 2nd Stage, Rajajinagar, Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore –560 086. Mobile : 9538305787. Email – mvjslawchambers@gmail.com.

EAST COAST RAILWAY

e-Tender Notice No. ETCECONIVSKP 2024024, Dtd.: 11.06.2024

Name of work: 3RD LINE & 4TH LINE BETWEEN DUVVADA (DVD)-SIMHACHALAM NORTH (SCMN) & DOUBLING BETWEEN ORE EXCHANGE COMPLEX (OEC)-SIMHACHALAM NORTH (SCMN): EXECUTION OF EARTHWORK IN FORMATION, BLANKETING, MINOR BRIDGES, MAJOR BRIDGES, BOX PUSHING BRIDGE, PSC SLABS, DRAINS, PROTECTION WORKS, CONSTRUCTION OF TOWER WAGON SHED, SIGNAL CABINS/ SIGNAL & TELECOM GOOMTIES, FOOT OVER BRIDGE, PLATFORM WORKS, PLATFORM SHELTERS, EXECUTION OF P.WAY WORKS, WELDING OF RAIL JOINTS, SUPPLY OF BALLAST, TRANSPORTATION OF P.WAY MATERIALS, ELECTRICAL GENERAL SERVICES WORKS, DISMANTLING OF EXISTING BUILDINGS/ STRUCTURES, UTILITY SHIFTING OF INFRINGING SIGNAL & TELECOM GEARS AND CABLES AND OTHER CONNECTED ANCILLARY WORKS OF WALTAIR DIVISION, EAST COAST RAILWAY.

Approx cost of the work : ₹ 13745.47 Lakhs, EMD: ₹ 70,22,700/-, Completion period of the work: **24 Months.**

Tender closing date & time : at **1200 hrs.** of **15.07.2024.**

No manual offers sent by Post/Courier/Fax or in person shall be accepted against such e-tenders even if these are submitted on firm's letter head and received in time. All such manual offers shall be considered invalid and shall be rejected summarily without any consideration.

Complete information including e-tender documents of the above e-tender is available in website **www.ireps.gov.in.** The prospective tenderers are advised to revisit the website 15 (Fifteen) days before the date of closing of tender to note any changes/ corrigenda issued for this tender. The tenderers/bidders must have Class-III Digital Signature Certificate and must be registered on IREPS portal. Only registered tenderer/ bidder can participate on e-tendering.

The tenderers should read all instructions to the tenderers carefully and ensure compliance of all instructions including check lists, para 3.1 (additional check-list) of tender form (Second sheet) Annexure-I of chapter 2 of Tender documents, submission of Annexure-B/G & G1 duly verified and signed by Chartered Accountant.

Chief Administrative Officer (Con)/ Bhubaneswar

PR-30/CH/24-25

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

Tender Notice No.: Y-MD-EOILABEMPMYS-2024_1

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, invites E-tenders for the following work.

Description of Work	Appx. Value
Inviting open IREPS tender for entering expression of interest for empanelment of Laboratory investigations / Pathological tests / Investigation service provider to Railway beneficiaries referred from Divisional Railway Hospital, South Western Railway, Mysuru-570020 for a period of Two years.	Rs. 2,87,635/-

Last date for submission of bids: **Up to 11:00 hrs. of 06.07.2024**

For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in

Chief Medical Superintendent Mysuru

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client Divya Venkatesh has negotiated to purchase the property bearing Municipal No.21, situated at Kotthanur Village to Kotthanur Dinne Main Road, Kotthanur, 2nd Cross, Gururaghavendra Layout, Bengaluru (old House List No.21/105, VP Katha No.498, situated at Kotthanur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk), BBMP Ward No.195, Konanakunte Ward, Bengaluru, measuring East to West : 40 feet and North to South : 60 feet, in all measuring 2400 sqft, more fully described in the schedule written hereunder, from its owner viz., Dr.Neelala Anand Mahesh Kumar, S/o. N.P. Anand Kumar.

Any person/s having any right, title, interest, lien, charge or claim whatsoever in or over the Schedule Property or to any portions thereof, may submit their objection/s, claim/s, in writing to the under signed, through Registered Post, along with the supporting documentary evidence, within 10 days of the issuance of this notice, failing which our clients will proceed on the basis that there are no claims over the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property bearing Municipal No.21, situated at Kotthanur Village to Kotthanur Dinne Main Road, Kotthanur, 2nd Cross, Gururaghavendra Layout, Bengaluru (old House List No.21/105, VP Katha No.498, situated at Kotthanur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk), BBMP Ward No.195, Konanakunte Ward, Bengaluru, measurements and boundaries are as follows;

MEASUREMENTS: East to West: 40 feet, North to South: 60 feet, In all 2400 sqft,

BOUNDARIES: East by : Road, West by : Property bearing HL No.22, North by : Road, South by : Private Property

(S. Vinay Gowda) Advocate
No.1313, 13th Main, 27th Cross, 3rd Block East Jayanagar, Bangalore-560 011.
Mobile : 9663854666
Place : Bangalore Date : 21.06.2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Mr.H.L.Nagaraja S/o Late. H.C.Lakshmipathaiah, has agreed to purchase property bearing vacant site No. 2, Municipal Katha No. 43/5/3/2, situated at Muneshwara Block, Avalahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, in BBMP Limits, measuring East to West 62 Feet and North to South 75 + 87/2 feet and totally measuring 5000 Square feet more fully described in the schedule hereinafter referred as "SCHEDULE PROPERTY"from **SMT. B.S.USHA,** Aged about 59 Years,W/o Sri.B.S. Sathyanarayana, Residing at No. 60/54, 2nd Cross, Javariah Garden, Thyagarajnagar, Bangalore -28, If any person/s has/have any claims, right, title and/or interest in or upon the same, the same may be intimated to me within **10 days** from the date of this publication along with documents in support thereof. If no tenable objections are received within the said period, my client would proceed to complete the transaction, deeming that there are no claims or objections whatsoever.

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East by : Site No. 1
West by : Site No. 3
North by : Road
South by : Private Property

S.K. MITHUN Advocate,
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Leopard trapped

The Hindu Bureau
MYSURU

A leopard stalking domesticated animals and preying on them frequently in Kollegal was trapped and captured by the Forest Department. There were complaints since June 5 about the leopard from villages surrounding Kollegal Wildlife Division.

Actor Darshan's custody ends today

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The police can seek the custody of the actor for two more days, if needed, as per norms

The police custody of actor Darshan, who has been arrested in the Renukaswamy murder case, will end on Saturday, and he will be produced in court.

The police can seek the custody of the actor for two more days, if needed, as per norms. However, it is not clear whether the police will seek an extension of his custody on Saturday or he will be remanded in judicial custody.

The police had taken the custody of Darshan, his friend Pradosh, Stonny Brook pub's owner V. Vinay, and electrician Dhanraj for two days on Thursday, while seeking judicial custody of other accused.

'Not cooperating'

The police had claimed that the four accused they sought custody of were not cooperating with the probe. The police had claimed that they had found crucial evidence in the phone of Vinay and they had to probe who sent it to him. The police are tight-lipped on what the evidence is.

The police had recovered ₹40.4 lakh from a premises linked to Darshan, which he had allegedly taken as a loan from Mohan Raj, allegedly towards expenses towards a cover-up.

Notice served

The police have now served a notice on Mohan Raj, reportedly a BJP leader. He is yet to appear before the police. The police had already recovered ₹30 lakh that the actor had paid to other accused, including three who surrendered to the police.

Police sources said they were now mulling over writing to the Income Tax Department on the cash seizures to the tune of ₹70.4 lakh in the case.

‘Viswanathan Anand as the role model has worked for India’

FIDE president Arkady Dvorkovich talks about the rise of India and Asia, the upcoming World championship match, the game’s governing body taking chess places it has never been, the need to bring more women to the sport and the suspension of the Russian federation

INTERVIEW

Arkady Dvorkovich

P.K. Ajith Kumar

Arkady Dvorkovich took over as FIDE president in 2018 from Kirsan Ilyumzhinov. The Russian is now in his second term, which he won during the Chennai Chess Olympiad two years ago. He was back in India recently for the closing ceremony of the World junior chess championship at Gandhinagar. The head of the world chess governing body sat down for an exclusive interview with *The Hindu*. Excerpts:

This year’s World championship match has attracted three bids, two of them — Chennai, New Delhi — from the same country.

Yes, we have received three strong, very competitive bids. It is quite unique, having three bids and two of them from the same country. We haven’t had such a situation for a long period of time. There are of course some big pluses in all bids, strong government support and really good venues. I think it is important to understand the official government position in this respect. For international sports federations, it is important to have the national government’s support. I understand the specifics of India, of course, and the role of the States.

How exciting is it for world chess to have someone as young as D. Gukesh as the challenger in that match against Ding Liren? He turned 18 a few weeks ago.

Now all the youngsters around the world know they have a chance if they work hard. I have been watching his progress as a player for a long time. I am also impressed by India’s other young players. I think Viswanathan Anand as the role model particularly worked for India. At the Chess Olympiad in Chennai, two Indians teams were strong but the younger one did better. And we saw so many Indians competing at the recent Candidates tournament. Arjun Erigaisi, who didn’t play at the Candidates, is doing very well in open tournaments. I think now he will get invitations to play in closed tournaments.

The defending women’s World champion is also Chinese, like Ding. The next one is guaranteed to be from China too, as Ju Wenjun’s challenger is her compatriot Tan Zhongyi. Are you surprised by Asia’s rise in world chess?

No, I am not surprised. I think numbers matter. And the world’s top-ranked country is the United States. So given the population, it is not a surprise. But, the Soviet chess school is still very strong, if you take the whole thing [countries that used to form the USSR].

A small country like Uzbekistan won the gold at the last Olympiad...

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FIDE

Then there are also countries such as Kazakhstan, Armenia, Georgia, Russia, Ukraine... Asia, no doubt, is very strong now, very competitive. The infrastructure is modern and there is government support, too.

Chess was probably the only truly global sport that grew during the pandemic. And FIDE did some quite good work by organising so many online events, including the Online Chess Olympiad.

Yes, we tried to use the opportunity to boost the interest in chess. Of course we were helped by things in the media like the series, *The Queen’s Gambit*. But I am not surprised by the rise in popularity of chess. It is the oldest game in the world, but at the same time, it is also modern. Everyone who starts learning chess finds an excitement and intellectual challenge in playing the game.

Anand is deputy president at FIDE. How do you find working with the five-time World champion in this administrative role?

He is a very good friend and one of the best players in the world. He is a very comfortable person to work with. His opinions are always very important for me, since he has huge experience. And his reputation helps our team in our efforts to increase the popularity of chess around the world.

As FIDE president, what areas would you like to work on?

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I want more women to play chess. We are working on equal opportunities. I am happy to see more women playing in the open tournament [and not just the events for women]. I see some Chinese players, like Ju Wenjun, doing it of late.

The recent tournament she won in Norway had equal prize money, as did the Tata Steel Chess India tournament in Kolkata last year.

The parity in pay for women may not be achieved quickly. But we need to make sure that the opportunities are there for them. Apart from the focus on women, we also are looking closely at chess in the universities and schools. And we also want to make the World corporate chess championship bigger. We are also thinking about new formats in terms of time control and combinations to make chess more interesting.

FIDE has also taken chess to prisons.

We are working with new communities like prisons, slums, families and seniors. We are also bringing chess to new countries and regions. Some regions in different parts of the world like Africa, Latin America and countries in South East Asia require more development in chess. And Indian coaches can actually help in some of the countries there.

Along with India’s rapid rise as a major power in international chess, it is also building a reputation as a capable organiser of big events. Its conduct of the Chennai Chess Olympiad two years ago had won much praise.

Yes, of course. I am sure that during the next 12 months we will have more international events here in India.

How do you look back at your time so far as FIDE president?

Well, I am always ambitious. I always want to do more, but the trend is positive anyway. Our team is quite strong and I feel the support from national federations, including India. This support gives us a boost.

Your comment on the suspension of the Russian Chess Federation by FIDE’s Chess Ethics and Disciplinary Commission?

I cannot comment on the legal issues. It was a decision of the first panel of the commission. I was a part of that and I presented my arguments in my defence. The Chess Federation of Russia did the same. We will appeal. We will see what will happen. I think a fair decision will be made. We have to defend the interests of the players.

GAME THEORY

Formula One’s elite race winners

With his 60th victory in his 194th Grand Prix start in Canada, Max Verstappen improved his win% to 30.93%. Where does he rank on the all-time list of the most frequent winners in Formula 1? And among those with the most F1 wins, which drivers have won most frequently? We take a look at both tables:

BEST WINNING PERCENTAGE (MINIMUM: 15 STARTS)

Rank	Driver	Span	Starts	Wins	Win%
1	Juan Manuel Fangio	1950–1951, 1953–1958	51	24	47.06%
2	Alberto Ascari	1950–1955	32	13	40.63%
3	Jim Clark	1960–1968	72	25	34.72%
4	Max Verstappen	2015–2024	194	60	30.93%
5	Lewis Hamilton	2007–2024	341	103	30.21%
6	Michael Schumacher	1991–2006, 2010–2012	306	91	29.74%
7	Jackie Stewart	1965–1973	99	27	27.27%
8	Alain Prost	1980–1993	199	51	25.63%
9	Ayrton Senna	1984–1994	161	41	25.47%
10	Stirling Moss	1951–1961	66	16	24.24%

WINNING PERCENTAGE FOR DRIVERS WITH MOST WINS

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4	Sebastian Vettel	2007–2022	299	53	17.73%
5	Alain Prost	1980–1991, 1993	199	51	25.63%
6	Ayrton Senna	1984–1994	161	41	25.47%
7	Fernando Alonso	2001, 2003–2018, 2021–2024	386	32	8.29%
8	Nigel Mansell	1980–1992, 1994–1995	187	31	16.58%
9	Jackie Stewart	1965–1973	99	27	27.27%
10	Jim Clark	1960–1968	72	25	34.72%
10	Niki Lauda	1971–1979, 1982–1985	171	25	14.62%

JUAN MANUEL FANGIO

LEWIS HAMILTON

ALBERTO ASCARI

MAX VERSTAPPEN

JIM CLARK

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Aquatic ballet?

Synchronised swimming or artistic swimming is a discipline in which competitors perform choreographed routines, accompanied by music.

Traditionally a women’s sport, artistic swimming has diversified since: mixed-gender duets and men’s individual events have been introduced and added to major competitions over the last decade. The discipline has been a part of the Summer Olympics program since 1984 and the World Aquatics Championships since the beginning (1973).

Known as water ballet in its earliest days, artistic swimming has drawn from dance choreography, film-making principles and robust swimming techniques. Sculls — hand movements used to propel and support the body, especially critical when a swimmer is performing upside down — and eggbeater kicks — a form of treading water that contributes to the competitor’s stability — are important techniques in the sport. Swimmers wear rubber nose-clips to prevent water from entering their noses and protective earplugs when performing. Performances are judged on execution, artistic impression and difficulty.

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Multi-level parking complex at Freedom Park opened

Parking banned within 1 km radius of the facility, making entire Gandhinagar a no-parking zone

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar inagurating the multi-level parking complex at Freedom Park in Bengaluru. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

After nearly two-and-a-half years of construction, the multi-level parking (MLP) at Freedom Park was finally opened to the public on Friday. Even as the new facility was launched, Bengaluru Traffic Police banned vehicle parking within a 1 km radius of the facility. This will make the entire area of Gandhinagar a no-parking zone, with the BTP designating 35 roads where parking is now banned.

The facility, inaugurated by Deputy Chief Minister and Bengaluru Development Minister D.K. Shivakumar on Friday, can park 600 cars and 750 two-wheelers.

Completed in 2021

It may be recalled that after the MLP facility was completed in November 2021, the BBMP floated tenders twice in 2022 for its management but was forced to withdraw them owing to bidders' non-participation. Under the first tender, floated in February 2022, the ratio of profit sharing was stipulated at 80:20, and the period of operation was fixed for five years.

That is, 80% of the total profit was to go to the BBMP exchequer, while the rest was to be taken by the contractor. Because of the low profit-sharing condition, no one applied for the tender. In June 2022, the civic agency again floated another tender, this time with a reduced profit share of 60:40 and a fixed operation and maintenance period of ten years. However, there was no response to this tender as well.

The facility, which has three basements for parking, has advanced technology installed to ensure smooth and safe parking. According to the details provided by the BBMP, the project, which was completed at the cost of ₹80 crore, will be maintained by M/s Prince Royal Parking Solutions, M/s A.R. Constructions, and M/s Omnitech System India Private Limited. The contract period is ten years, and the BBMP expects ₹ 1.5 crore annual revenue.

Advanced technology

The MLP has separate parking bays for women, senior citizens, and the specially-abled, as well as wheelchairs and walkers. The facility is also equipped with Automatic Number Plate Recognition Cameras at entry and exit points. The cameras at the entry point capture the faces of drivers, and at the exit point, if the car is driven by a different person, it will send an alert to security. This advanced system was introduced to make the MLP theft-free. There are a total of 83 CCTV cameras at the facility.

In order to control the parking system, a new advanced technology is installed. Under this technology, the availability of parking will be displayed. If there is parking availability, the colour green will be displayed on the board and red for non-availability. To make it user user-friendly web portal and an application are also developed to check parking availability at the MLP. The facility also has valet parking, free pick up and drop, a cafeteria, electrical vehicle charging system.

As this new facility is opened, the city police and Bengaluru Urban Deputy Commissioner have banned parking in 35 stretches in the Gandhinagar area. The key roads where the ban is imposed are Sheshadri Road, Kempegowda Road, 4th main road, Gandhi Nagar, Avenue Road, and LTP Road in the Gandhi Nagar area. Vehicles entering this road must now park at the MLP.

Mr. Shivakumar said parking was banned because the new facility was opened, and it would help ease traffic movement on the roads. He said ₹20-₹30/ per hour will be charged for parking at MLP.

BBMP to publish draft of ad policy within a week: DKS

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The new outdoor advertisement policy will reallow hoardings in Bengaluru city after six years of its ban. FILE PHOTO

Deputy Chief Minister and Bengaluru Development Minister D.K. Shivakumar on Friday said a draft of the new outdoor advertisement policy will be released for public discussion within a week. He said outdoor advertisements and hoardings would be allowed in a regulated manner on roads wider than 60 feet. This will reallow hoardings in the city after six years of its ban.

Talking to reporters following a meeting with officials at the BBMP office on Friday, he stated that 15 days will be provided to submit objections to the draft. The advertisement policy had been pending for the past year due to ongoing court cases.

Discussions have been held with various organisations and institutions. "Group packages" will be prepared, and advertisements will be allowed on roads wider than 60 feet. Advertisements will be permitted on both government and private buildings, with private buildings able to rent space after paying taxes to the BBMP. Uniformity will be maintained according to size and height of buildings, and there will be no permission for random placements. The quality of material to be used for billboards will be specified later, Mr. Shivakumar said.

He said the previous government's Public-Private Partnership (PPP) models would be protected if they complied with the law. Those who have not complied will be dismissed according to legal provisions. Advertisements will be allowed in commercial areas based on population density.

Entities that owe money to the government or have filed lawsuits will not be given any opportunities. "Just as we settle all our dues before standing for elections, participants must clear all their dues here," he remarked. When asked about pending court cases, Mr. Shivakumar said: "We cannot do anything until those cases are resolved. Rules have been framed considering the court's suggestions. While the BMRCL will handle advertisements inside the metro, a separate package will be announced in partnership with the BBMP for outdoor areas."

When questioned about the outstanding advertisement revenue of approximately ₹600 crore, he assured that all dues would be collected and those in arrears would not be allowed to participate.

Police recover 60 gear cycles

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Konanakunte police have arrested a 43-year-old man identified as Narayanaswamy and recovered 60 gear cycles that he had stolen. He was picked up near Koli Farm Gate off Bannerghatta Road.

The police arrested him after registering an FIR based on a complaint filed by a resident of JP Nagar 8th phase. The resident complained that a gear cycle that he parked in his parking space had been stolen.

The police gathered CCTV footage and traced the thief. This led to the recovery of 60 cycles worth ₹12 lakh, stolen from different areas in Bengaluru.

BBMP collects ₹22 crore property tax dues

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has collected ₹22 crore through one-time settlement scheme from SAP Labs India Pvt. Ltd.

The company located at Garudacharpalya bearing property numbers 138, 138p in I.P.I.P Industrial Area had paid less property tax wrongly classifying the property.

The company paid less tax as against the actual between 2008-09 and 2023-24.

After this came to light, BBMP in Mahadevapura zone issued a notice for settlement under OTS. Following this, the company made the one-time settlement of ₹22 crore.

Cars worth ₹90 lakh recovered, one arrested

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Hulimavu police have arrested a man who was selling cars and creating fake documents after hiring the vehicles on rent. The police arrested him from Shivamogga district and recovered nine cars worth ₹90 lakh.

Te probe began after a vehicle owner filed a complaint alleging that the man hired his car on rent for about a month and later went incommunicado. The accused was traced to Shivamogga. During the investigation, it was found that he was hiring cars and creating fake documents to sell them.

Hacker Sriki undergoing treatment for drug addiction

Shreyas H.S.
BENGALURU

Hacker Srikrishna Ramesh, aka Sriki, accused in the bitcoin scam and currently lodged at Parappana Agrahara Central Prison Complex, is undergoing treatment for drug addiction. The hacker is known to have been addicted to narcotics.

Sriki was arrested on May 7, 2024, in a 2017 case by the Special Investigation Team, which is probing the case. He was arrested from a hotel in Ganganagar, where he had been staying then. The FIR alleges that he hacked Unocoin Technologies Private Limited, a bitcoin exchange and stole about 60 bitcoins. The complaint was filed by Harish B.V., the company's director. At the time of the crime, 1 BTC was valued at ₹1,67,481, and the value of the stolen coins stood at ₹1.14 crore. The SIT has invoked the Karnataka Control of Organised Crimes Act, 2000

A source in the Parappana Agrahara Central Prison talking to *The Hindu* said a psychiatrist is visiting the prison to check on Sriki and is also providing counselling. He is also on pills. The source further said that in the prison he spoke a lot with the inmates and also made tall claims about his contacts on the outside and his alleged adventurous life of hacking.

Sriki, for about a few months, was treated for addiction at NIMHANS earlier. He was also wearing nicotine patches. However, after a while, he restarted consuming liquor and narcotics. Investigators claim that he still has bitcoins, which he is hiding.

Power shutdown in some areas tomorrow

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

There will be no power supply between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. on June 23 in view of quarterly maintenance work.

According to a press release from Bescom, Chandapura Division, the areas affected are: 66/11 kV Attibele: Attibele Industrial area, Attibele Town, KHB 3rd Phase, Yadavanahally, Balagaranahalli, Bandapura, Upkar Layout, Mahidhara Layout, Guddahatti, Balluru, Manchanahalli and surrounding areas.

66/44 SE Jigani old: Jigani TMC limits, DKS Road, Kallubalu Road, Kyalasanahalli, Upkar Layout, Madhu Mithra Layout, Nisarga Layout, Madapattana, Haragadde, Nandanavana Layout, Buksagara and surrounding areas.

220/66/11 kV Jigani Link Road: Jigani Industrial Area Phase 2 and 3, Bandenallasandra, Omax Circle, Jigani Bommasandra Link Road and surrounding areas.

Power supply will also be affected between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the areas serviced from 66/11 KV Devarabisanahalli substation. The affected areas are, Bellandur RMZ, Devarabisanahalli, Kariyammanapalya, and surrounding areas.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that our client has entered into an Agreement dated 13th April 2023 to purchase the immovable property (morefully described herein below and referred to as '**Schedule Property**') with the Power of Attorney holders - Mr. B.M. Umesh and Mr. K. Ambarish of the Land owners - Smt. Gouramma (W/o. Late. Muniswamappa), Sri. N. M. Chidananda (S/o. Late. Muniswamappa) and Smt. Shreya C. (D/o. N. M. Chidananda). It has now come to the notice of our client that Mr. B.M. Umesh and Mr. K. Ambarish (Power of Attorneys of the Land Owners) are negotiating the sale of the Schedule Property with third parties. In this regard, the General Public is hereby warned against transacting either with the Land Owners or their Power of Attorney Holders respecting the schedule property. If any person/entity attempts to or purchase/s the Schedule Property, they shall do so to their detriment and any such transaction shall not bind our client.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Property presently bearing No.390/*/*, earlier Sy. No.259/*/* (Old Sy. No.259/*/p10 and previously Sy. No.259/17), Bettahalasur Village, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk (earlier known as Bangalore North Additional Taluk), Bangalore Urban District measuring 2 acres and bounded on:

East by : Private Property; West by : Private Property;
North by : Private Property; South by : Rajankunte Road.

Sharath S. Kulkarni, Advocate
Govindraj Associates
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Bangalore - 560 042. Tel: 080 - 4151 6548

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is given on behalf of my client **Mr. MARUTHI KUMAR SUNDARAM,** Son of Mr. Subramanyam Sundaram, that the property more particularly described in the schedule hereunder and situated at **ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF** the Residential Property bearing Site No.25, having Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Form B Property Registry Extract Sl no. 2137, Site no 25 PID No.92/1, Khata portion of property No.92/1, measuring East to West 47 Feet and North to South 33 Feet, totally measuring 1551 sq feet, situated at **Horamavu Village, Krishnarajapuram Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk** and have acquired via Deed of Gifet registered on 11.07.2018 as document No.BNS-1- 05695-2018-19, Book-I, stored in CD No.BNSD658, registered before the office of the Sub-Registrar, Shivajinagar (Banasawadi). My client has decided to Purchase the said schedule property.

Therefore any person(s) having any claim in respect of the above referred property or part thereof by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, charge, gift, maintenance, inheritance, possession, lease, tenancy, sub tenancy, lien, license, hypothecation, transfer of title or beneficial interest under any trust right of prescription or pre-emption or under any Agreement or other disposition or under any decree, order or Award or otherwise claiming, howsoever, are hereby requested to make the same known in writing together with supporting documents to the undersigned at the office of Ashvik Law Associates, Advocates and Solicitors, within a period of **7 days** of the publication hereof failing which the claim of such person(s) will deemed to have been waived and/or abandoned,

SCHEDULE PROPERTY:

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF the Residential Property bearing **Site No.25**, having Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Form B Property Registry Extract Sl no. 2137, Site no 25 PID No.92/1, Khata portion of property No.92/1, measuring East to West 47 Feet and North to South 33 Feet, totally measuring **1551 sq feet,** situated at **Horamavu Village, Krishnarajapuram Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk** and bounded on:

East by : Road;
West by : Remaining Property;
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South by : Site No.26.

Ashvik Law Associates,
Office at No 24, First Floor,
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E-Tender Notice No. (08) of 2024-25

E-Tender for the following work in B-1Tender Form is invited via online e- tendering system from Eligible Contractor by the Executive Engineer, Public Works (west) Division, Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar on behalf of Public Works Department, Government of Maharashtra Tender Document are downloaded from goverment portal https://mahatenders.gov.in Right to select or reject is reserved by Executive Engineer, Public works (west) Division, Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar. Conditional Tender will be not accepted. (Number of 6 Works)

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BUSINESS CONNECT A Business Initiative

Rotary Bangalore TTK Blood Centre proudly recognizes "70 years of celebrating giving: thank you blood donors!

The Rotary Bangalore TTK Centre, BMST, achieved 100% blood collection from voluntary donors from all the blood centres. WHO is celebrating the World Blood Donor Day on June 14th with a theme - "20 years of celebrating giving: thank you blood donors". However, India pioneered this initiative 70 years ago in 1954 by Mrs. Leela Moolgaokar, Padma Shri receipt for her commendable work in Voluntary Blood Donation. Rotary Bangalore TTK Blood Centre proudly recognizes "70 years of celebrating giving: thank you blood donors!" In 1971, Prof. J.G. Jolly, a physician and professor of the Department of Transfusion Medicine, took up the movement to further heights by spearheading the movement against professional blood donors. In 1973, Dr. Shanthi Ranganathan, today known more for her work in the area of de-addiction, started Madras Voluntary Blood Bank to mobilise voluntary blood donation to support the blood needs of Government Hospitals in Chennai. To celebrate this, the Rotary Bangalore TTK Centre, BMST, achieved 100% blood collection from voluntary donors from all the blood centres. Let us all salute these pioneers and their legacy. It is up to us now to carry forward their work and achieve the aim of 100% voluntary blood donation in India.

Mr Manoj Jain takes charge as Chairman & Managing Director of BEL

Mr Manoj Jain took charge as the Chairman & Managing Director of Navratna Defence PSU Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL). He was Director (R&D) since September 26, 2022, and was also assigned with the additional charge of Director (Bangalore Complex) from August 1, 2023. Mr Manoj Jain was also assigned additional charge of Director (HR) from November 1, 2022, to May 31, 2023. He was General Manager of the Electronic Warfare & Avionics SBU at BEL's Bangalore Complex prior to his elevation as Director (R&D). Mr Manoj Jain joined BEL in August 1991 as Probationary Engineer. Mr Manoj Jain took over as the General Manager and Head of the Electronic Warfare & Avionics SBU at BEL-Bangalore, in June 2021. Apart from overseeing all the business operations of the SBU, he provided the much-needed vision for this business vertical. Mr Manoj Jain has received various R&D awards, Key Contributor Awards, Raksha Mantri's Award and SODET Awards. He has published many technical papers, applied for several patents and delivered talks to Defence users and DRDO scientists.

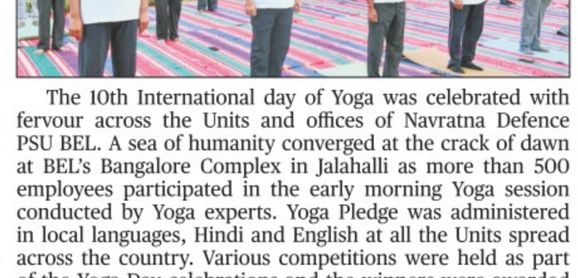
Special Event to support Children with Special Needs

Recently to support children with special abilities, Lush Events organized a special event at the Kannada Sahitya Parishat, featuring sari walk and makeup competitions. All proceeds from the event will go towards the welfare of children with special needs. The competition saw enthusiastic participation from 35 individuals, including makeup artists, sari wearers, and jewellers. Women participants dazzled on the ramp, showcasing their talents and competing for prizes. The registration fees collected from the event were donated to the Belaku Trust, a trusted organization dedicated to supporting children with special needs. The event was graced by prominent chief guests, including television actress Amrutha Ramamurthy and Dr Divya Rangenahalli, founder of Media Connect and Sudaya Foundation. The event's success was attributed to the efforts of organizers Lakshmi CP and Usha. The competition not only celebrated the participants' skills but also underscored the community's commitment to supporting children with special abilities through meaningful contributions and engagement.

Dindigul Thalappakatti Announces the Great India Biryani Festival: A Celebration of Flavor and Tradition

Dindigul Thalappakatti, renowned for its rich culinary heritage and authentic South Indian cuisine, is thrilled to announce the Great India Biryani Festival. This much-anticipated campaign will feature the launch of 23 exquisite varieties of biryani, each crafted to celebrate the diverse flavors of India. To add to the excitement, customers can also enjoy an assured cashback offer of up to Rs 500. Each recipe has been carefully curated to reflect the unique spices, cooking techniques, there's something to delight every palate. Their journey began in 1957 when founder, Mr Nagasamy Naidu, started a humble eatery in Dindigul, Tamil Nadu. Over the decades, have stayed true to the vision of delivering authentic and high-quality biryani, becoming a beloved brand known for their distinctive recipes and impeccable standards. They believe that food is a powerful medium to celebrate culture and bring people together. The Great India Biryani Festival is their way of honoring India's diverse culinary traditions and sharing them with their customers. They invite all biryani enthusiasts and food lovers to join at the Great India Biryani Festival. Indulge in a celebration of flavors, tradition, and culinary excellence that only Dindigul Thalappakatti can deliver.

Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) celebrates International Day of Yoga



The 10th International day of Yoga was celebrated with fervour across the Units and offices of Navratna Defence PSU BEL. A sea of humanity converged at the crack of dawn at BEL's Bangalore Complex in Jalahalli as more than 500 employees participated in the early morning Yoga session conducted by Yoga experts. Yoga Pledge was administered in local languages, Hindi and English at all the Units spread across the country. Various competitions were held as part of the Yoga Day celebrations and the winners were awarded prizes. A symposium on "Yoga and Wellbeing" was organised at Nalanda, the BEL Academy for Excellence in Bengaluru, in collaboration with NIMHANS in which more than 300 women employees participated.

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‘Resolving network issues near central jail commercially unviable’

The TSPs say this is owing to Harmonious Call Blocking System installed at Bengaluru Central Prison Complex

Shreyas H.S.
BENGALURU

The Bengaluru Central Prison Complex at Parappana Agrahara . FILE PHOTO

The Telecom Service Providers (TSPs), in a recent meeting held with the Department of Telecommunication (DoT) and other stakeholders, have said it is commercially unavailable for the TSPs to resolve the network issues caused due to Harmonious Call Blocking System (T-HCBS) installed at Bengaluru Central Prison Complex at Parappana Agrahara, individual houses and low-rise apartments. They said they could look at In Building Solutions (IBS) for high-rise apartments.

This was revealed in a letter written by the Department of Telecommunication to the Chief Superintendent of Parappana Agrahara Central Prison on Friday, a copy of which *The Hindu* has accessed. The letter shows that DoT held multiple meetings to resolve the problem. This development comes a day after *The Hindu* reported about the issue.

Over the past seven months, mobile networks in the 500-metre radius around the prison complex have been affected by the new T-HCBS system implemented by the Union government. Residents are unable to make or receive calls and access data. In many instances, emergency health care is also being affected, as people are not able to seek ambulance services. Residents are forced to move to areas where the network is available. In Apartments, the residents are relying on WiFi networks.

In the letter, the TSPs informed the stakeholders that they were unable to solve the problem caused by T-HCBS for individual houses and low-rise apartments as it was commercially unviable. This was told in the meetings held on June 11 and June 12. However, TSPs, particularly Airtel, have started working on providing alternate solutions, which would bring relief to residents in some high-rise apartments. The letter shows that Airtel has commenced working on an in-building solution (IBS) for SJR Blue Water apartments. The DoT said in the letter that in the meeting, it was advised to the TSPs to ascertain the number of customers affected in the area and how many were provided with alternative solutions, provide a month-wise action plan, and further explore the use of advanced technology.

A member of the residents’ committee who attended the meetings said the TSPs are expecting funds from the government to implement a solution for the problem as the companies believe it is commercially unviable and the disruption was due to the intervention of the government. On the other hand, the Chief Minister’s Office said they are coordinating with the Home Department and DoT.

Vegetables breach ₹100 a kg mark in city as weather plays spoilsport

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Supply of beans and tomatoe has been low for quite some time while demand continues to be high in Bengaluru. K. MURALI KUMAR

After vegetable prices kept going up for months due to drought in Karnataka, consumers were relieved when the skies opened. But now, prices have again gone up with many vegetables crossing the ₹100 per kg mark in Bengaluru, much to people’s dismay.

After the price of beans came down from ₹250 to ₹150 per kg a couple of weeks ago, it is again selling at ₹180 - ₹220 per kg in retail markets in Bengaluru. In wholesale markets too, the price went up from ₹80 per kg to ₹120 per kg. The ever fluctuating tomato prices have touched ₹80 - ₹100 per kg from almost ₹50 - 60 per kg a few days ago. In K. R. Market, tomatoes are being sold at ₹80 per kg. Brinjal, radish, capsicum and onions have also breached the ₹100 mark in retail markets.

“Despite bad weather and poor yield, prices continue to be low in wholesale markets,” said N. Manjunath Reddy, a vegetable trader in K.R. Market. While the hike in fuel prices have not had much of an impact on vegetable prices yet, it can have an effect in the coming days.

In HOPCOMS, selling price of beans skyrocketed to ₹220 per kg from ₹70 per kg last week. Capsicum went up from ₹65 per kg to ₹140 per kg. An official at HOPCOMS attributed the price rise to weather fluctuations in the last few months. The supply of beans and tomatoes has been low for quite some time while demand continues to be high. Now, with rain being added to the equation, the prices skyrocketed.

The wholesale price of ash gourd, whose price usually hovers between ₹10 and ₹15 per kg, has jumped to ₹30 per kg.

“When the price of ash gourd goes up, that is when you know that vegetables are getting expensive. This is a vegetable which is not much in demand unlike the others. But, as it rained exactly when the crop was supposed to be harvested, supply to the markets got severely cut,” explained Raja, a trader in K.R. Market.

Traders believe that it might take another three months for the supply of vegetables to stabilise.

International Day of Yoga 2024 celebrated with enthusiasm across State

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(Clockwise from top left) Chief Minister Siddaramaiah performing yoga at Jindal Steel Plant in Ballari district on International Day of Yoga; participants at an event organised in front of Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru, and Union Minister of Heavy Industries and steel H.D. Kumaraswamy at a programme in New Delhi. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT AND K. BHAGYA PRAKASH

From Chief Minister Siddaramaiah to students across schools in Karnataka, the International Day of Yoga was celebrated with much zeal on Friday.

While Mr. Siddaramaiah participated in the event organised by the Shvasa Yoga organisation and Santosh Lad Foundation at Jindal Steel Plant in Toranagallu in Ballari, Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar participated in Yogotsava organised by the government on the grand steps of Vidhana Soudha, along with Governor Thawarchand Gehlot and Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao.

“Yoga has a history of five thousand years. The whole world has embraced yoga. Yoga cuts across all religions. The government is organising a 10-day yoga programme for the benefit of people. I urge people to adopt yoga in a big way,” Mr. Shivakumar said.

In another event, Sadhguru Sannidhi, Bengaluru, celebrated the day with around 1,000 NCC cadets from colleges in Chikkamagaluru, 200 soldiers from the Madras Engineering Corps (MEG) of the Indian Army, 120 jawans and two officers from the Subsidiary Training Center (STC), Border Security Force (BSF).

Free daily sessions
They participated in a yoga session led by Isha Hatha Yoga teachers.

A Yoga hall for free daily yoga sessions for the general public was also launched on the day.

Around 500 employees
More than 500 employees of Bharath Electronics Limited (BEL) converged at the Jalahalli complex to participate in yoga sessions conducted by experts. More than 300 women employees also participated in the “Yoga and Wellbeing” symposium.

Yoga hub
In Mysuru, known as the yoga hub, the district administration arranged for nearly 10,000 people to take part in a yoga event in front of the palace. Mysuru MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar recalled the contribution of his forefathers to the popularisation of yoga.

Half day for schools
The Department of School Education and Literacy instructed all schools to conduct classes only for half a day, celebrate Yoga Day in the morning, and conduct full-day classes on Saturday as compensation.

HC verdict today on whether horse racing can be held at BTC

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A file photo of a horse race at Bangalore Turf Club in Bengaluru.

A Division Bench of the High Court of Karnataka will pronounce its order at 11 a.m. on Saturday on whether horse races and betting activities can be held at Bangalore Turf Club (BTC) as per schedule on Saturday and Sunday.

The Bench comprising Chief Justice N.V. Anjaria and Justice K.V. Aravind reserved its interim order on the appeal filed by the State government challenging the June 18 order of a single-judge bench, which permitted the BTC to conduct racing and on-course and off-course betting activities. The judge stayed the government’s June 6 decision rejecting BTC’s application for racing and betting activities.

While seeking a stay on the permission granted by the single judge, State Advocate General Shashi Kiran Shetty contended that the government itself would continue granting permission after August. The A-G also contended that the government had denied permission as further investigation against the BTC is underway on the illegalities of bookmakers, against whom a charge sheet has already been filed for illegalities like benami transactions, non-deposit of collection of money in cash, and non-deposit of GST from punters.

BTC’s arguments
However, senior advocate S.S. Naganand pointed out that BTC is not an accused party in the criminal proceeding, and the government had not sought any details from BTC on illegalities even after the initiation of criminal proceedings against punters.

Mr. Naganand also contended that denial of permission was one of the attempts being made by the government to pressurise the BTC to vacate its present land at the centre of the city and move to the outskirts as proposed by the government. He also pointed out that the issue of land on which the race course is located is pending before the apex court.

On A-G’s contention that BTC’s chairman and CEO have been arraigned as accused persons in the charge sheet along with the bookmakers, Mr. Naganand clarified that the chairman has no independent authority to make certain decisions as he acts on the advice of the Board, which comprises the Additional Chief Secretary, Finance Department, Bengaluru City Police Commissioner, and two other members nominated by the State government.

On GST remittance
On evasion of GST remittance by the bookmakers, it was argued on behalf of the BTC, the Racehorse Owners Association, and the Trainers and Jockeys Association that the bookmakers are now liable to remit deducted GST directly to the Government and that the BTC has no role in paying in this regard under GST law. GST law has repealed the earlier Betting Tax Act, under which the BTC had the responsibility of remitting betting tax to the authorities.

Timings
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RISE 05:55	SET 18:48
RISE 19:22	SET 05:51
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RISE 21:13	SET 07:55

Bengaluru Weather	max	min
Tumakuru	31	25
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31°C Morning will be pleasant Day will be slight warm and humid. Spell of light rain and thundershower is likely to occur. Night will be pleasant.

Bengaluru Tomorrow
30°C The weather will be slight warm and humid Night will be pleasant Spell of moderate rain and thundershower with gusty winds will occur.

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Scientists provide insights into new class of materials for energy harvesting

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Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research (JNCASR) scientists in a new study have provided ground breaking insights into a new class of materials for energy harvesting and power generation.

According to the Department of Science and Technology (DST), the new study unravels the electronic mechanisms governing the chemical bonding of a new class of materials called incipient metals with metavalent bonding (MVB) within a single 2D layer of Group IV chalcogenides that can boost energy harvesting and power generation.

Unique properties
Sourcing new materials with unique properties can help advance current technology. Recently, scientists have turned to a class of compounds called group IV chalcogenides, which have intriguing properties and are suitable candidates for technological applications. These compounds contain an element from group VI of the periodic table combined with an element from group III-V of the periodic table, like PbTe, SnTe, and GeTe.

Chalcogenides can transition reversibly between amorphous and crystalline phases in response to changes in temperature, pressure, or electrical fields. This unique characteristic, due to the contrasting optical responses of the two phases, has practical applications in rewritable optical discs and electronic memory devices.

This was conducted by Professor Umesh Waghmare from Theoretical Sciences Unit at JNCASR.

Two years of research
DST said, the study aimed to unravel the electronic mechanisms governing the chemical bonding in these materials. The findings, which took nearly two years , have shed light on the unique properties of these materials, challenging conventional chemical bonding ideas.

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I, IDRISH R/a No.81, Venkata Swamy Layout, Priyanka Nagar, Krishna Raja Puram, Bangalore-560049 have changed my name to Idrish Abdul Rahim Girach vide affidavit dt: 20.06.2024 sworn before Notary N.Narayanaswamy, B'lore.

I, SUGANDHI RAO D/O G K Mothilal Nehru R/O No–4 SF3 Cothapearl Apartment 17th Cross 7th Main Bannerghatta Road Bengaluru South Karnataka–560076 Changed my name to M SUGANDHI.

I, MANJU, spouse of Jaivir R/at H No.42, Charan Reddy Complex, Bharathi Nagar, Hunasamaranahalli, Bengaluru-562157, have changed my name from Manju to Manju Bai vide affidavit dated 21/06/2024 before Notary S.R.Ravikumar, Bengaluru.

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ADDENDUM Dt : 21.06.2024

1. In addition to the persons mentioned in the Annexure-II of notification dt.07.06.2024, applications are invited for the post of **Vice-Chancellor, Kaloji Narayana Rao University of Health Sciences, Warangal** also from Distinguished educationalists in the field of medicine.

2. Application with the detailed Curriculum Vitae in the prescribed Proforma and documentary evidences should be sent by Registered Post to the following address: **The Secretary to Government, Health Medical and Family Welfare Department, Room No. 17, First Floor, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Telangana Secretariat, Hyderabad - 500 022, Phone No. +91 -40-2345 5824.**

3. The last date to receive applications is extended till **5.00 PM on 06.07.2024.**

Sd/- Dr. Christina Z. Chongthu, Secretary to Government

R.O. No.: 98-PP/CL-AGENCY/ADVT/1/2024-25

TUNGABHADRA BOARD : TB DAM

e-Procurement Short Term Tender Notice IFB Nos.95/2024-25 Dt. 21-06-2024 and 35/2024-25 Dt.07.06.2024 (2nd Call)

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Government of Karnataka - National Health Mission
District Health and Family Welfare Society (R), District Health and Family Welfare Officer's Office Premises, Shivamogga
Phone: 08182-200337 e-mail: rchoshimoga@gmail.com
No.:N.H.M./Vehicle/06/2024-25 Date: 20.06.2024

Tender Notice

Tender application can be submitted by interested firms for providing on outsource basis services along with drivers for providing 14 vehicles (Two per Taluk) for 7 Taluks of Shivamogga District for R.B.S.K. Programme and 9 vehicles one each for N.H.M., N.U.H.M., IEC Division, Mental Health Programme, Leprosy Eradication Programme, N.V.B.D.C.P. Programme, N.T.C.P. Programme, N.T.E.P. Programme and Quality Assurance Programme at Shivamogga District level, Tender amount Rs. 100,20,000/- and E.M.D. Rs. 2,50,000/- for total 23 vehicles under National Health Mission Scheme for the year 2024-25 and for availing services with drivers on outsource basis e-Tender is invited as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act (KTPP) 1999, Rules 2000. Commencement date for uploading Tender Form: 24.06.2024 and last date and time for uploading Tender Form, date and time of opening Technical Bid, date and time of opening Financial Bid will be as on e-portal. Further information can be obtained through e-portal www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/- Member Secretary, District Health Association and District R.C.H. Officer, Shivamogga

DIPR/smg/No.21/06/ksmca/24-25/119

BANGALORE WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE BOARD
Office of the Chief Engineer, (Project)
3rd Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, K. G. Road, Bangalore-09.

No. BWSSB/EE(CStr)/AEE/AE/STR/160/2024-25 Date: 19.06.2024

CANCELLATION OF TENDER

Sub: Procurement of 500 nos of 600 mm clear dia composite FRP/GRP Manhole Cover with suitable frame, testing standards conforming to BS EN 124:1994

Ref:- NIT No. BWSSB/EE(CStr)/AEE/AE/STR/151/2024-25 Date: 14.06.2024

In continuation of the above tender notification, it is to inform that the above mentioned tender stands cancelled.

Sd/-
DIPR/CP/AAPL/RO504/24-25 **Executive Engineer (Central Stores).**

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer (QA/QC) Division, Mahadevapura Zone, BBMP Head Office, N R Square, Bengaluru-560002

No. EE(QA/QC)/MDP/TEND/16/CORR-02/2024-25 Date : 21-06-2024

CORRIGENDUM - 2

With respect to tender notification No. EE(QA/QC)/MDP/TEND/16/2024-25 Dt: 14-06-2024 the Last Date for uploading the Tender Document and Date of Opening of Tenders are Postponed due to Technical reasons as below. **(1)** Tender Document may be downloaded through KPP portal from : **25-06-2024 (2)** Pre-bid Meeting : **29-06-2024 at 4.00 PM** Office of the Executive Engineer (QA/QC) Room No. 101, Annex-3 Building, BBMP N R Square, Bengaluru-560002. **(3)** Last Date & Time for receipt of Tenders : **03-07-2024 up to 4.00 PM (4)** Opening of Technical bid : **05-07-2024 at 4:30 PM (5)** Validity of Tender : 90 Days from last date of receipts of Tender.

The Financial Bid will be opened after approval of Technical bid and other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (QA/QC - Mahadevapura Zone)

HUBLI ELECTRICITY SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED
(Wholly Owned Govt. of Karnataka Undertaking)
Superintending Engineer (Ele), O&M Circle, Shivaganga Layout, HESCOM Hubli-23
Phone No : 0836-2364144, Fax No : 0836-2366184,
E-Mail : seehbl.hescom@gmail.com GST No: 29AABCH3176JEZZ
Corporate Identity Number (CIN) : U31401KA2002SGC030437

No:HESCOM/SEE/EEE(O)/AEE-1/2024-25/1287-89 Date: 20-6-2024

NOTIFICATION FOR INVITATION SHORT TERM TENDER
(Through KPPP Portal Only)

Superintending Engineer(Ele), O and M Circle, HESCOM, Hubballi has invited Tenders for **Conversion of DP/TP DTC structure to Spun Pole structure at various locations in Hubballi City** in Two cover system. The Indent No of works **HESCOM/2023-24/EL/WORK_INDENT 404, 405, 406 & 407**.

The detailed notification regarding the bid enquiry can be obtained by logging on to the website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/** on or after **24/06/2024** for further information, please contact telephone No 0836-2364144 / 2366184 during office hours.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer, (Ele) O&M Circle Office, HESCOM, Hubballi.

DIPR/DWD/KSMCA/73/2024-25

CAUVERY NEERAVARI NIGAMA LIMITED
(A Govt. of Karnataka Enterprises)
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
Manchanabele Project Division, Ramanagara - 562 159.
Phone : 080 - 2727 1259. E-mail : eempdrmgm@gmail.com

Tender Notification No. : 02/2024-25 Date : 18-06-2024

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through E-Procurement Portal Only)
https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in

The CNNL hereby invites Tender for the work under 4701 head through **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** Portal.

The Last Date for Tender Submission, Opening of Technical Bid, Financial Bid and Pre-Bid Meeting Date, EMD details and more information can be downloaded from the Website : https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in Portal and for further information please visit Office at working hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, C.N.N.L., M.P. Division, Ramanagara.

DIPR/Ramanagar/87/Manipal/2024-25

CAUVERY NEERAVARI NIGAMA NIYAMITHA
(GOVT OF KARNATAKA)
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, NO 06 HEMAVATHY LEFT BANK CANAL DIVISION CNNL, PANDAVAPURA MANDYA DIST

SHORT TERM E-TENDER NOTIFICATION NO : 02/2024-25/DATE:14.06.2024 - (TWO COVER SYSTEM)

On Behalf of Managing Director , Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited, as per Karnataka Transperency in Public Procurement Act the undersigned invites tender in Cover System through eprocurement portal from eligible contractors registered in PWD (Class 1) for total of 1 work Those interested in participating in the tender shall submit the tenders.on KPP Portal from 20.06.2024 11.00 AMOnwards For more information on E.M.D, Tender processing fee and etc visit KPPP website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in or can be obtained from the above office during office hours on working days.

Sd/-Executive Engineer. No.06 HLBC Pandavapura

DIPR/AD-MDY/KSMCA/082/2024-25

UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES BENGALURU
Estate Office, GKVK, Bengaluru-560 065.

No. EO/SPO/kppp/3/2024-25 Date: 19-06-2024

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(kpp Portal only)

The University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru has invited Tender in the prescribed form as per the Standard tender document KG-1 & KG-2, from the reputed firms for the procurement of the following Equipment's. **Sl. No.1 to 11.** The details of the KG-1 & KG-2, Tender Notification, Schedule, Specifications are available in the **website kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** The cost of the Tender document is as per kpp portal NORMS. The EMD shall be paid using kpp portal payment modes.

Blank Tender Documents can be down loaded from **kppp.karnataka.gov.in,** Last date and time for uploading the tender on **03-07-2024 up to 4.00 p.m.** The Technical bid will be opened on **05-07-2024 at 10.30 a.m.** The Financial bid will be opened on **09-07-2024 at 10.30 a.m.** in the Tender Committee room of Estate Office. Further details can be had from the office of the undersigned during working hours and also refer UAS Website: **www.uasbangalore.edu.in. Help Desk: 91-8046010000, +91-8068948777 support@eprochelpdesk.com.** The University reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reasons. Tender will be under two cover system and the conditions for two cover systems is also uploaded in the website.

Sd/-
ESTATE OFFICER

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No/NWKT/GDG/TR/COMM/797/24-25 Date : 20-06-2024

e-TENDER Notification No:04/2024
(Through KPP Portal Only)

Inviting e-Tender applications to Commercial Establishments & for cleaning contract under "Pay & Use" system (Sweeping, Cleaning washing of entire bus station premises including crew rest room) coming under the jurisdiction of NWKRTC, Gadag Division.

Interested parties may participate in the tender through e-procurement portal **"http://www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in/#/portal -home"** within stipulated date and time as mentioned. For more details contact phone no:**7760991802, 9986802447, 7026047644**.

Corporation reserves the right to accept/reject/recall the tender without giving information to tender in the view of Corporation Good Will.

Sd/- Divisional Controller NWKRTC, Gadag Division, Gadag

DIPR/Gadag/KSMCA/32/2024-25

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED
CIN : U85110KA1970SGC001919

No.: KPCL/2024-25/SE0122 Date: 14.06.2024

Abstract Bid Notification

(Two Cover System) (Through e-Procurement Portal only)

The tender is invited for **"Conducting Techno-commercial feasibility study & preparation of the report on the implementation of Biomass co-firing and preparation of tender document including technical specification for inviting tender for supply, fabrication, installation & commissioning of the Biomass co-firing system at RTPS - 7x210MW, 1x250MW, BTPS - 2x500MW, 1x700MW and YTPS - 2x800MW in the State of Karnataka, India".** Last date for receipt of completed bids Covers-1 & 2 (Two covers): **15.07.2024 up to 17.00 hrs.** Date of opening of Cover-1 (Technical Bid): **18.07.2024 at 11.00 hrs.** Date of opening of Cover-2 (Price Bid) of qualified bidders: Will be intimated later. Further details can be had from Chief Engineer (Thermal Designs), KPCL, No. 3, 2nd Floor, Green Building (Drugs Control Department premises), Palace Road, Bengaluru-560 001. Mobile: 09448436926, Website: **www.kpcl.karnataka.gov.in** E-mail: **kpclcetd@gmail.com, kpclbiomass@gmail.com**

KARNATAKA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
49, Parisara Bhavana, Church Street, Bengaluru- 560 001
Ph : 080-2558 6520 / 2558 9112 Fax : 080-2558 6321
Email : ho@kspcb.gov.in Website : www.kspcb.karnataka.gov.in

No. PCB/31/BLD/2023/2024-25/941 Dated: 01.06.2024

INVITATION FOR TENDER 1st CALL
(Through GOK e-procurement Platform https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)

The Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) invites tenders from eligible tenderers through GOK e-procurement platform **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** by The Member Secretary for the following work:

Name of the work: Providing wall cladding, flooring works, file record storage cabinets, false ceiling and meeting table to KSPCB Regional Office building at Mysuru. Approx Value of the work: **Rs.26.42** lakhs. All payments such as tender cost, EMD etc., shall be made in e-payment mode only.

For more details, please refer e-procurement website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

DIPR/482a/2024-25

Sd/-
Member Secretary

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GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
(Department of Commercial Taxes)
Commercial Tax Department
Office of The Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes (Admin), Divisional Goods and Service Taxes Office-6, B-Block, 3rd Floor, KIADB Building, 14th Cross Road, 4th Phase, Peenya 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560058. Phone: 080-28363927,

No.JCCT (Admin)/DGSTO-6/S&H/CR-02/23-24 Date: 19-06-2024

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tenders are invited as per K.T.P.P Act 1999 from reputed **Man Power service providers to provide 05 (Five), House keeping and 08 (Eight) Security Guards services** to the office of the Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes (Admin), Divisional Goods and Service Taxes office-06, B-Block, 3rd Floor, KIADB Building, 14th Cross Road, 4th Phase, Peenya 2nd Stage, Bangalore 560058.

Last date to apply for tender is 09-07-2024 within 5.00 p.m.

For details visit e-procurement website at:
http://kppp. karnataka.gov.in
http://www.ctax.kar.nic.in

Sd/- Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes
DGSTO-6, Bangalore.

DIPR/CP/RO/488/2024-25

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ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ, ಉತ್ತರ ಕನ್ನಡ, ಕಾರವಾರ–581301
ದೂ: 08382–226406, 226471 ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಸ್: 08382–226603
Email: dckarwar@gmail.com Website: http://uttarakannada.nic.in
ನಂ: ಒಬ್ಬಂದಿ–(2)/ವಿವ–42/2024–25 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 21–06–2024

ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಯಾವತ್ತೂ ಹೊರಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಮಾನವ ಶಕ್ತಿ ಪೂರೈಕೆ ಮಾಡುವವರಿಗೆ ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ತಿಳಿಯಪಡಿಸುವುದೇನೆಂದರೆ, ಉತ್ತರ ಕನ್ನಡ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಚೇರಿಯ ವಿವಿಧ ಇಲಾಖೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಒಟ್ಟು 23 ಡಾಟಾ ಎಂಟ್ರಿ ಆಪರೇಟರ್, 01 ವಾಹನ ಚಾಲಕ, 34 ಜವಾನರ ಸೇವೆಯನ್ನು ಮುಂದಿನ ಒಂದು ವರ್ಷದ ಅವಧಿಗೆ ಅಂದರೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 01–04–2024 ರಿಂದ 31–03–2025 ರವರೆಗಿನ ಅವಧಿ ಅಥವಾ ಮುಂದಿನ ಆದೇಶದವರೆಗೆ ಹೊರಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಆಧಾರದ ಮೇಲೆ ನೇಮಕಾತಿ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ನಿರ್ಧರಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಆಸಕ್ತಿ ಇರುವವರು ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ ತಮ್ಮ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದರವಾರವನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 08–07–2024 ರಂದು ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆ ಒಳಗಡೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಸ್ವೀಕೃತಗೊಂಡ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 09–07–2024 ರಂದು ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 4.30 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ ಹಾಜರಿರುವ ಅಧಿಕೃತ ಹೊರಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಏಜೆನ್ಸಿ ಸಮ್ಮುಖದಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಪರಿಶೀಲಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಚೇರಿ ಉತ್ತರ ಕನ್ನಡ ಅಥವಾ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪರಿಶೀಲಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.

ಸಹಿ/– ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿ
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BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer, QA/QC Division, Mahadevapura Zone, BBMP Head Office, N R Square, Bangalore - 560 002

No:EE (QA/QC)/MDP/TEND/15/CORR-02/2024-25 Date: 21.06.2024

CORRIGENDUM-2

With respect to **Tender Notification No: EE(QA/QC)/MDP/TEND/15/2024-25. Date 12.06.2024**. The Last Date for uploading the Tender Document and Date of Opening of Tenders are Postponed as below due to Technical reasons. **The Calendar of events as Follows**: **Tender Document may be downloaded through E-portal form**: 25.06.2024. **Pre-bid Meeting**: 29.06.2024 at 4:00 PM Office of the Executive Engineer (QA/QC) R. No.101, Annex-3 building, BBMP, N. R. Square, Bangalore-560 002. **Last Date & Time for receipt of Tenders**: 03.07.2024 up to 4:00 PM. **Opening of Technical bid**: 05.07.2024 at 4:30 PM. **Validity of Tender**: 90 Days from last date of receipts of Tender. The Financial Bid will be opened after approval of Technical bid and other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

Sd /-
Executive Engineer(QA/QC-Mahadevapura Zone)
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Monika Choudhary

Exploring India's design past

A look at bold colours, geometric patterns and intricate architectural elements, derived from the era of kings, that are still seen in modern homes

Elaborate patterns of Rajput architecture. GETTY IMAGES/ ISTOCK

Terracotta artistry of Bengal. GETTY IMAGES/ISTOCKPHOTO

Woodwork of Rajasthan. GETTY IMAGES/ISTOCK

From the intricate woodwork of Rajasthan to the terracotta artistry of Bengal, Indian architectural elements are deeply influenced by regional crafts and historical dynasties, creating spaces that are both beautiful and culturally meaningful. The magic of design also lies in its ability to blend the past with the present. This approach preserves cultural heritage while adapting it to fit modern lifestyles, creating timeless and contemporary spaces. India's design landscape is a vibrant tapestry that reflects its rich cultural heritage and historical evolution.

It has evolved from the ancient Indus Valley Civilisation leaving its mark on the Harappan culture as well. Indigenous architecture began in the cities of Mohenjo-Daro and Harappa from where urban planning and interior design practices were adopted to suit the various periods in history. Cave architecture developed during the Maurya and Gupta periods.

Derived learnings

India has witnessed invasions and steered itself through multiple cultural overlaps. The socio-political nuances of our times hold a mirror to multiple guests who became a part of the country – gastronomically, ideologically, and culturally. For instance, the grandeur of Mughal architecture, with its detailed carvings and use of precious stones, has left an indelible mark on Indian interiors. It has woven itself through the belts of Delhi, Punjab, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Bihar, to the extent that the vernacular identifiers only remain as significant differentiators of the Mughals' imperial presence. Islamic architecture flourished when Mughal emperors such as Akbar, Shah Jahan, and Aurangzeb built palaces, forts and mosques with marble. Opulent interiors with intricate carvings, besides domes and arches, reflected the fusion of Persian and Indian design elements.

Parallelly, we did not lose hold of what truly belonged to our part of the subcontinent. Even today, we see its presence coexisting with all the semiotical overlaps in which signs and symbols are a language of their own. The influence of the bold colours and elaborate patterns of Rajput designs finds its significant place in contemporary or modern décor. The facades, jalis and frescoes are symbolic of valour and creativity.

> ***A contemporary living room can feature minimalist furniture complemented by traditional Indian textiles and art pieces, creating a functional and deeply rooted heritage space***

Integration in current times

Motifs tell us a lot about the environment, people and lifestyle. Geometric designs were easier than motifs like peacocks, bells, elephants and the lotus. Brackets that support the cantilevered overhangs, capitals to the columns, the beam and the truss systems all speak of the region, culture and timeline of their histories. Corbels that were traditionally load-bearing elements now serve decorative purposes. A contemporary living room can feature minimalist furniture complemented by traditional Indian textiles and art pieces, creating a functional and deeply rooted heritage space. Colour plays a significant role in interior design, with each hue carrying specific cultural and spiritual meanings. Bright and bold colours are commonly used to evoke energy and life.

The way forward

As India embraces modernity, its design incorporates global trends and technological advancements.

Modern designs often feature clean lines, neutral colours, and practical layouts while holding on to traditional sensibilities. What emerges is a richly woven tapestry that could fit into global moulds.

Innovation also demands adherence to climate responsibility.

Our history has preached about the intertwined lives of humankind and the natural world. Building materials are now locally sourced more than ever before. Local artisans are employed for new projects.

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The writer is CDO, Co-Founder and Growth Strategist, Habitat Architects.

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BJP-JD(S) combine sees DKS' offer to contest bypoll as a chance to prove its strength

B.S. Satish Kumar
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BENGALURU

Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar's remark that he is ready to contest the byelection from the Channapatna Assembly constituency is being viewed rather enthusiastically by the Opposition BJP-JD(S) combine who see this as an opportunity to prove the strength of the alliance in an area where its influence cannot be undermined.

B.Y. Vijayendra

H.D. Kumaraswamy

Message as BJP sees

"Mr. Shivakumar's statement on offering to contest the byelection sends a strong message that only a prominent person from the government like him can think of contesting from there against the formidable BJP-JD(S) combine. It also shows that Mr. Shivakumar is not confident that even his younger brother D.K. Suresh, who thrice represented the Bengaluru Rural Lok Sabha constituency, which included the Channapatna Assembly segment, can win this seat," argued BJP leader N. Ravikumar.

The Channapatna Assembly seat has fallen vacant as JD(S) leader H.D. Kumaraswamy, who held it, has quit upon his election to the Lok Sabha.

BJP leaders are yet to discuss the Assembly byelection as their entire attention so far has been on the formation of the Union Ministry. BJP State president B.Y. Vijayendra on Friday said that the two parties would take up the discussion soon.

While it appears that the choice would be between BJP leader C.P. Yogeshwar – who represented the constituency earlier – and Mr. Kumaraswamy's son Nikhil Kumaraswamy – who is the JD(S) State Youth Wing president, sources in the BJP said the decision on which of the two parties should contest would be taken by the top leaders of both the parties at the central level. The BJP State core committee is likely to discuss the subject in its next meeting and convey its stand to the party high command.

Voters, not leaders will decide my future: Shivakumar

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar, who has expressed his willingness to contest the byelection from the Channapatna Assembly constituency in Ramanagara district, on Friday said voters would decide his political future and not any political leaders.

He was reacting to the statement of former Minister C.P. Yogeshwar that Mr. Shivakumar would end his political career from Channapatna if he chose to contest from there.

After participating in the International Yoga Day programme here, the Congress leader told reporters: "People are my strength and only they can decide my political future. I belong to Ramanagara district and I am indebted to them. I have asked the people to give me their support and they will decide."

A senior BJP leader said the party has adopted a wait-and-watch strategy to see what Mr. Shivakumar actually intends to do. "If Mr. Shivakumar contests from here, we are ready to take him head-on as we are aware that any upset for him here will have a wider ramification," he observed.

Meanwhile, speaking in Mysuru on Friday, former Minister and senior JD(S) leader G.T. Deve Gowda said the party would make its decision on the issue known before the start of the next legislature session.

Over the weekend

JD(S) sources in Bengaluru said that Union Minister for Heavy Industries and Steel H.D. Kumaraswamy is settling in the ministry and has not focused on Channapatna politics. "Mr. Kumarasawmy is arriving in Bengaluru during the weekend. He will hold discussions with former Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda and party leaders besides BJP leaders before taking a decision."

JD(S) to stake claim?

However, it is most likely that the JD(S) could stake a claim for the seat since it was held by Mr. Kumaraswamy. It is also being speculated that Mr. Nikhil Kumaraswamy, who lost the Lok Sabha election in Mandya in 2019 and the Assembly election in Ramanagara in 2023, could be fielded by the party.

Another source in the party said that while they suspect that Mr. Shivakumar could be gauging the mood of voters or playing for optics in the Vokkaliga politics, the party's strategy on fielding the candidate would depend on the Congress' candidate.

Price of some premium liquor labels to come down from July 1

New slabs for calculating additional excise duty notified. Owing to high additional excise duty as per the prevailing slabs, premium liquor contributes just 2% to 3% of the total excise revenue of Karnataka, while it is 52% in Telangana

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

In a news that could bring some cheer to tipplers in Karnataka, the State government has notified fresh slabs for calculating additional excise duty, which is expected to bring down the cost of some premium liquor labels. The new prices will come into effect from July 1.

In a downward revision of liquor prices after many years, the government has rationalised the slabs and brought down the number of slabs from 18 to 16. The notification said the revision would be on brandy, whiskey, gin, rum, and other liquors, but beer, wine, toddy, and feni are not included.

The State government has rationalised the slabs for calculating additional excise duty. It has brought down their number from 18 to 16. FILE PHOTO

Prices to be declared

While the slabs have been notified, Excise Department sources said the actual cost of each liquor would be known only after the distillery notifies the declared price of their labels. "It is difficult now to say whether the cost of a particular brand will come down or not since each slab has a range. The liquor manufacturers will start providing fresh declared cost of their labels now," sources said.

A notification issued on June 18, with the Karnataka Excise (Excise Duties and Fees) (Amendment) Rules, 2024, has slabs being rejigged. Following the new notification, the highest additional duty of ₹3,000 per bulk litre to be levied on liquor would be on the liquor with a declared price (by the distillery) of over ₹20,000 in comparison with the earlier regime where the highest additional excise duty of ₹5,358 per bulk litre was imposed on the declared price of ₹15,000 and above.

The rationalisation of the slabs for calculating the additional excise duty, especially on premium liquor, had been announced in the Budget to address a long-pending demand of distilleries and the hospitality industry here to make the prices competitive in Karnataka with neighbouring States. The rationalisation is expected to mop up additional excise revenue.

The International Spirits and Wines Association of India had also urged the government to consider the rationalisation of additional excise duty on premium products. It had pointed out that cheaper brands are much cheaper and premium brands much costlier in Karnataka when compared with other States.

Impact on revenue

Currently, as per the industry estimate, most premium brands of liquor in Karnataka have about 80% or more additional excise duty on the declared price. According to a government source, owing to high additional excise duty, premium liquor contributes just about 2% to 3% of the total excise revenue of Karnataka while it is 52% in Telangana.

The Federation of Karnataka Wine Merchants' Association remained cautious about the notification of the new slabs. Federation general secretary Govindraj Hegde said, "We are studying the notification. There is some confusion about the reduced cost of the premium liquor as per the new notification. We are not sure whether these new slabs will help the customers or the companies."

Gurpreet Singh, cofounder and director, World of Brands, said, "The rationalisation of the duties at the higher slabs will result in the reduction of end consumer prices of anywhere between 10 to 20%. This will be a welcome relief for the consumers and the brand owners campaigning against the exorbitantly high prices in Karnataka. Yet, despite this change, the prices across neighbouring States will continue to remain much lower which still needs to be looked into.

HC asks police not to insist on personal appearance of Nadda, Malviya

FROM THE COURT

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The High Court of Karnataka on Friday directed the State police not to insist on the personal presence of BJP president J.P. Nadda and party's social media national in-charge Amit Malviya for probe on a first information report (FIR) registered against them based on a Congress worker's complaint alleging that a post on reservation for Muslim was intended to create hatred among communities.

Justice Krishna S. Dixit passed the interim order on a petition filed by the BJP leaders questioning the legality of the FIR registered at CEN police station, Kalaburagi, on May 5 when the campaigning for the Lok Sabha election was under way.

When the court was inclined to stay the investigation, the Additional State Public Prosecutor suggested that the investigation could be permitted without insisting on the personal presence of the petitioner, and the court accepted the suggestion.

The FIR was registered based on a complaint by Praveen Kumar Patil, a Congress worker.

The complainant alleged that the BJP's post on Instagram had falsely portrayed that former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh had said that "Muslims must have first claim on country's resource" and had "created disharmony by projecting that wealth of non-Muslims would be snatched away and their wealth would distributed among Muslims".

However, it has been contended in the petition that the social media post was a criticism of the policies of the Congress and the BJP had the fundamental right to criticise the policies of the Opposition parties.

Two FIRs

Meanwhile, the court stayed further proceedings on two FIRs registered against BJP's State unit president B.Y. Vijayendra and the State unit's social media convener Prashant Makanur for their social media posts during the Lok Sabha election campaign.

Prajwal case: SIT conducts *mahazar* in Hassan

The Hindu Bureau
SHIVAMOGGA

The Special Investigation Team (SIT), probing the allegations of sexual abuse against former Lok Sabha member Prajwal Revanna, conducted a *mahazar* at the government quarters allotted to the former Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda, in Hassan on Friday.

Mr. Prajwal has been remanded in judicial custody. The SIT officials took him for the spot inspection after obtaining permission from the court. The procedure went on for four hours, starting noon.

Mr. Prajwal has been accused of sexually harassing many women. He allegedly committed a crime at the official quarters allotted to his grandfather, Mr. Gowda, in the city. Earlier, the police had conducted the *mahazar* at his residence at Holenarsipur.

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578 more pre-primary classes to be opened in govt. schools

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

After the recent order to open pre-primary classes (Early Child Care and Education) in 1,008 government primary schools in seven districts of the Kalyana Karnataka region, the State government on June 19 gave the permission to start such classes in 578 more schools.

The Union Ministry of Education had approved starting pre-primary classes in 262 and 316 government schools in 2023-24 and 2024-25, respectively. Therefore, the State government issued the orders.

Only one section of LKG should be started in pre-primary classes this year and children in the four to five age group should be enrolled. Only 20 to 30 children should be admitted, the order stated.

Opposing the orders on opening pre-primary classes, anganwadi workers have been staging a protest in Bengaluru since June 19. They have demanded the orders be withdrawn.

Minister Laxmi Hebbalkar addressing the protesting anganwadi workers in Bengaluru on Friday.

Laxmi Hebbalkar, Minister for Women and Child Development, met the protesters and assured them that the rights of anganwadi workers would be protected. "The issue has been discussed with Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Minister of School Education and Literacy Madhu Bangarappa .... I do not agree with the decision of the Department of School Education and Literacy," she said.

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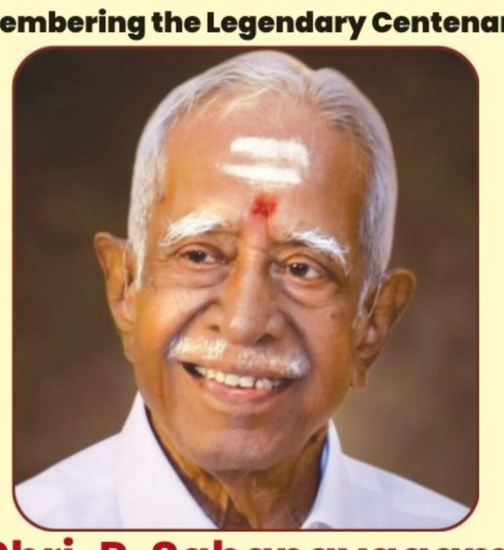

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This is to inform the public that, for the Financial Year 2024-25. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry Division, Raichur has invited Tender for Forest Works through e-Procurement (Website Link http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in) two cover system in RKVY Scheme. Registered Forest Contractors under of Territorial Forest Division Raichur (Registered in the Year 2024-25) are eligible for Tender Works. Tender From 20-06-2024 to 28-06-2024 4.00 Pm.

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Sd/- Assistant Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry Division, Raichur.

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Minor Irrigation & Ground Water Development Department
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER MINOR IRRIGATION & GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT DIVISION BIDAR

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KPP -PROCUREMENT TENDER DETAILS

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FIR against two for 'blackmailing' MLC alleging sexual abuse

The Hindu Bureau
SHIVAMOGGA

Suraj Revanna FILE PHOTO

The Holenarsipur police, on Friday, registered an FIR against two persons, who allegedly demanded money from JD(S) MLC Suraj Revanna, threatening that they would defame him if their demand was not met.

The FIR was registered less than an hour before a Kannada news channel claimed that a man had petitioned the Karnataka State police chief and Superintendent of Police, Hassan, alleging that he was raped by Mr. Suraj Revanna, who is the son of former Minister H.D. Revanna and brother of Prajwal Revanna, former MP who has been accused of sexually abusing women. However, *The Hindu* did not get an independent confirmation of the same. Sources in Hassan district police claimed they had not received any such petition.

The alleged victim appeared on the private channel and claimed that he had been sexually abused at a farm house at Gannikada in Hassan district.

Complaint

Holenarsipur police registered the case based on a complaint filed by Shivakumar H.L., 30, of Hanumanahalli in Holenarsipur taluk.

In his complaint, he identified himself as treasurer of the Suraj Revanna Brigade. The accused are Chethan of Kollangi in Arkalgud taluk and his brother-in-law, whose name is not mentioned in the complaint.

Introduced to MLC

Shivakumar, in his complaint, said that he had known Chethan since the days he had been working for a finance firm. Chethan had often requested Shivakumar to introduce him to Mr. Suraj Revanna so that he could secure a job with his help. During the elections, the complainant introduced Chethan to the MLC.

Later on June 18, Chethan allegedly told Shivakumar that he had met Mr. Suraj Revanna two days before [on June 16] with a request for a job. However, he did not get any assurance from the legislator.

"As he did not get any assurance from the MLC, the accused contacted me and demanded ₹5 crore, threatening that he would make allegations of sexual abuse against Mr. Suraj Revanna if the demand was not met," the complainant claimed.

Kerala CM, LoP slam Centre over *pro tem* Speaker post

The Union government appoints seven-time BJP MP Bhartruhari Mahtab as *pro tem* Speaker over Kodikunnil Suresh, who is into eighth term; Pinarayi says BJP undermines parliamentary traditions

The Hindu Bureau
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Congress MP Kodikunnil Suresh speaking in the Lok Sabha during the Budget Session of Parliament, in New Delhi. FILE PHOTO

Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan and Leader of the Opposition V.D. Satheesan on Friday criticised the Centre for ignoring the convention and not appointing senior-most member MP Kodikunnil Suresh, and eight-term Congress parliamentarian, as *pro tem* Speaker of the 18th Lok Sabha.

In separate statements, the leaders condemned the decision to appoint BJP MP Bhartruhari Mahtab, seven-term MP from Cuttack, as *pro tem* Speaker.

Mr. Vijayan said the decision flouted established parliamentary norms and showed the BJP's blatant disregard for democratic principles. "By overlooking Kodikunnil Suresh, they undermine our parliamentary traditions. It smacks of the Sangh Parivar's revanchist, casteist politics that discriminates against marginalised communities. Their attitude of not accepting anyone from the Opposition benches to the position led to such a situation. We must stay vigilant in protecting our democratic values and demand fair practices," said Mr.Vijayan.

Mr. Satheesan said the denial of *pro tem* Speaker post to Mr. Suresh was anti-democratic and exposed the BJP's anti-Dalit face.

"The decision not to make Suresh, who belongs to the Dalit community, the *pro tem* Speaker is part of the sectarian politics followed by the BJP and the Sangh Parivar. Such violation of parliamentary norms is a challenge to the will of the people and the democratic system of the country," said Mr. Satheesan.

AIADMK members evicted from Tamil Nadu Assembly after sit-in over hooch tragedy

The Hindu Bureau
CHENNAI

AIADMK MLAs were evicted from the Tamil Nadu Assembly on Friday after they staged a sit-in over the hooch tragedy in Kallakurichi district.

Speaker M. Appavu ruled that the AIADMK MLAs could not attend the House for the rest of the day. Chief Minister M.K. Stalin was not present in the House at the time. When Mr. Stalin arrived, he requested the Speaker to allow the members to raise the issue after the question hour.

Clad in black shirts and holding placards demanding the resignation of Mr. Stalin, the AIADMK members, led by former Chief Minister Edappadi K. Palaniswami, raised slogans immediately after the House met. Though the Speaker said the issue could be raised after the question hour, the MLAs continued to raise slogans; at one point, they rushed to the Speaker's podium and staged a sit-in. Leader of the House and Minister Duraimurugan said Mr. Palaniswami could state what he wanted to convey. However, the AIADMK members remained unmoved.

The Speaker then directed the watch and ward staff to evict the AIADMK members. Some of them, including the Deputy Leader of the Opposition, R.B. Udayakumar, were carried out of the House.

After the eviction, Mr. Duraimurugan said that the AIADMK MLAs could have raised the issue after the Question Hour.

Mr. Appavu said that many members had given notice for raising the issue, and he had allowed them to do so under Rule 55 of the Assembly Rules. "But they came to the House with the motive of causing disturbance," he said.

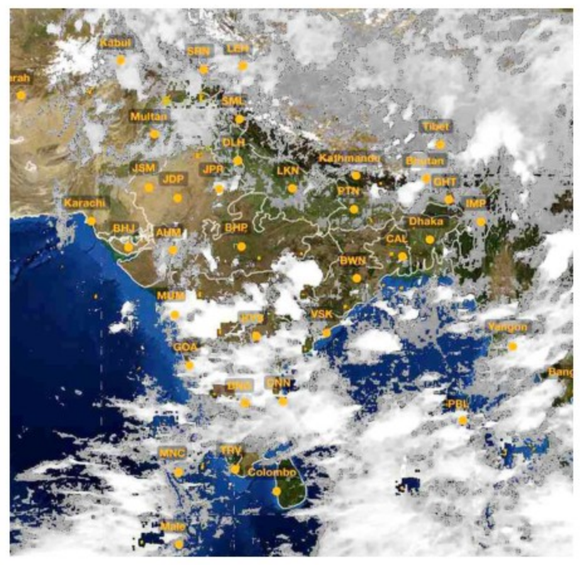
The PMK and the BJP also staged a walkout.

PMK's prohibition call

Earlier, PMK floor leader G.K. Mani demanded a total prohibition.

WEATHERWATCH

Rainfall, temperature & air quality in select metros yesterday



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Aizawl	20	31.5	23.7	Lucknow	—	39.2	29.2
Allahabad	—	42.0	28.6	Madurai	—	35.4	25.5
Bengaluru	—	29.2	20.8	Mangaluru	0.1	29.1	22.9
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Bhubaneswar	6.3	35.5	26.0	Mysuru	1.6	29.2	—
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Chennai	22	36.5	24.9	Patna	—	37.0	28.2
Coimbatore	—	30.9	23.4	Port Blair	35	29.2	24.0
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Jaipur	20	37.4	25.6	Thiruvananthapuram	21	30.3	24.7
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Kohima	—	25.5	17.5	Vijayawada	—	37.6	28.4
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Chennai	...5	7	105	60	55	
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Lucknow	.13	..26	.83	...124	...183	
Mumbai	.10	..20	.36	33	...199	
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Yesterday

In observation made at 4.00 p.m., Mandi Gobindgarh, Punjab recorded an overall air quality index (AQI) score of 240 indicating an unhealthy level of pollution. In contrast, Aizawl, Mizoram recorded a healthy AQI score of 22

Air Quality Code: Poor | Moderate | Good (Readings indicate average AQI)

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No. KSMCL/e-auction/FD/Act/950/2024-25/663 **Date: 21.06.2024**

e-AUCTION TENDER DOCUMENT FOR FUNDS MANAGEMENT

(E-Auction Notification, Eligibility Criteria and Terms and Conditions)

Karnataka State Minerals Corporation Limited intends to invest Surplus Funds in Public Sector Banks and RRB through e-Auction at e-procurement Portal of Government of Karnataka

Calendar of Events for e-auction

Date of e-Auction Notification	**21.06.2024**
Last Date and Time for submit the query	**24.06.2024** up to 05.00 PM
Last Date and Time to confirm participation of Interest in e-Auction (e-portal)	**26.06.2024** upto 11.00 AM
Opening of Technical Bid for Evaluation	**27.06.2024** up to 11.30 AM
Live Bidding (e-Auction)	Commences at 11.00 AM and concludes at 01.00 PM on **28.06.2024** (Delta Time: 5.00 Min)

The e-Auction Document can be downloaded from e-procurement website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** Interested bidders are requested to register in the e-procurement platform well in advance. **Contact: e-procurement help desk:No.080-46010000 / 68948777** for any support in uploading and registration.

DIPR/KP/KAVITA/520/2024-25

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General Manager (F & A)

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No. : T.M.C./Mun/SFC/2024-25 **Date : 20-06-2024**

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(through e-procurement portal)

This is to notify that the below mentioned tenders are invited in limits of TMC Munavalli under the FY-2023-24 SFC Special Grant by PWD Registered Class-I Contractors. All the tenders are invited in KW-4 format and for more details do visit **Website : www.munavallitown.mrc.gov.in & www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Name of Work : 1) DMA/2024-25/RD/WORK_INDENT18812, Estimate Amount (in Lakhs) : 115.00, EMD Amount : 2,87,500/-, Details of Contractor : Class-I Civil, 2) DMA/2024-25/RD/WORK_INDENT18815, Estimate Amount (in Lakhs) : 175.00, EMD Amount : 2,33,000/-, Details of Contractor : Class-I Civil, 3) DMA/2024-25/EL/WORK_INDENT19049, Estimate Amount (in Lakhs) : 10.00, EMD Amount : 25,000/-, Details of Contractor : Class-III and above Electrical Contractor, 4) DMA/2024-25/EL/WORK_INDENT19056, Estimate Amount (in Lakhs) : 1.40, EMD Amount : 3,500/-, Details of Contractor : Class-III and above Electrical Contractor.

1) Starting Date of Downloading Tender Document : 20-06-2024, 2) Last Date and time to Upload Tender Documents : 04-07-2024, 5.30 p.m. 3) Opening date of Technical Bid : 05-07-2024, 5.30 p.m. 4) Opening Date of Financial Bid : 06-07-2024, 5.30 p.m.

Sd/- Chief Officer, TMC Munavalli **Sd/- Administartor, TMC Munavalli**

DIPR/Belagavi/160/Manipal/2024-25

Visvesvaraya Technological University, Belagavi
Ref. VTU/BGM/SAP/CW1/07/T-656/2024-25/ 1263 dtd.21-06-2024

TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Registrar, VTU, Belagavi, invites (two cover systems) e-tenders for the following work through e-procurement tendring mode. Name of work: Tender for Procurement of Multi-Electrode and Multi-Channel Resistivity Imaging Systems to Dept. of Civil Engineering, VTU PG Centre, Belagavi under REWARD Project. Amount put to tender : Rs.41,39,000/-. EMD Rs.83,000/-. Last date for receipt of tender 05-07-2024 up to 2.30 p.m. Date of opening of tender: 06-07-2024 at 4.00 p.m. The details regarding participation in the e-Tendring can be accessed by logging to our VTU website: www.vtu.ac.in and e-procurement portal website: www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in.

DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-155/KSMCA/2024-25

Sd/-Registrar

PUBLIC NOTICE

One of our Clients intends to purchase all that piece and parcel of **Commercial Property/Office Space Units,** which are morefully described in the **'Schedule'** hereunder and hereinafter referred as **'Schedule Property'** belonging to **BCV Developers Private Limited ["Owners"].**

Any person or persons, entities including any bank/ societies/ financial institutions, companies, asserting/having any claim, right, title or interest of any kind whatsoever including mortgage/ charge/ encumbrance/ demand over the Schedule Property or any part thereof, in any manner whatsoever whether by way of sale, transfer, assignment, exchange, charge, encumbrance, loan, deposit of title deeds, tenancy, sub tenancy, let, lease, license, mortgage, inheritance, succession, share, gift, devise, lien, maintenance, bequest, easement, trust, covenant, possession, occupation, family arrangement/ settlement, partition, contracts/ agreements, partnership, litigation, Decree, Court Order, Award of any Court of Law, Tribunal, Authority and/or any other fora, acquisition, agreement/s for sale, partnership, other contracts/agreements or otherwise of any nature whatsoever or having any claim in the Schedule Property or any documents relating thereto or against the Owners or objecting to sale or any transactions by the Owners, should write to the undersigned within **fourteen (14) days** from the date of this Public Notice, together with documentary proof thereof, failing which, the claim or claims, if any, of such person or person/s over the Schedule Property or any part thereof shall be considered to have been waived and/or abandoned and no such claims will be deemed to exist and our Clients shall proceed to purchase the Schedule Property, without any impediments and/ or reference to such claim/s, demand/s, etc.

SCHEDULE
[SCHEDULE PROPERTY]

All that piece and parcel of the **Commercial Office Space Units** as detailed hereunder:

Sl. No.	Unit Numbers & Floor	Municipal Property /Khata Numbers	Measurement (in SBA & UDS)	Car Parking & Measurements
0.1.	501 on 5th Floor	3763/371/1/372/501	257.28 Square Meters of SBA & 111.30 Square Meters of UDS	03 Nos. Measuring 37.50 Square Meters
02.	502 on 5th Floor	3764/371/1/372/502	190.62 Square Meters of SBA & 82.50 Square Meters of UDS	02 Nos. Measuring 25 Square Meters
03.	503 on 5th Floor	3765/371/1/372/503	126.03 Square Meters of SBA & 54.53 Square Meters of UDS	01 No. Measuring 12.50 Square Meters
04.	504 on 5th Floor	3766/371/1/372/504	124.15 Square Meters of SBA & 53.70 Square Meters of UDS	01 No. Measuring 12.50 Square Meters
05.	505 on 5th Floor	3767/371/1/372/505	114.92 Square Meters of SBA & 49.70 Square Meters of UDS	01 No. Measuring 12.50 Square Meters
06.	506 on 5th Floor	3768/371/1/372/506	117.92 Square Meters of SBA & 51 Square Meters of UDS	01 No. Measuring 12.50 Square Meters
07.	507 on 5th Floor	3769/371/1/372/507	1144.55 Square Meters of SBA & 495.35 Square Meters of UDS	12 Nos. Measuring 150 Square Meters
08.	508 on 5th Floor	3770/371/1/377/508	1093.88 Square Meters of SBA & 473.43 Square Meters of UDS	12 Nos. Measuring 150 Square Meters;
09.	509 on 5th Floor	3771/371/1/372/509	224.85 Square Meters of SBA & 97.27 Square Meters of UDS	02 Nos. Measuring 25 Square Meters
10.	510 on 5th Floor	3772/371/1/372/510	160.95 Square Meters of SBA & 69.68 Square Meters of UDS	02 Nos. Measuring 25 Square Meters
11.	513 on 5th Floor	3773/371/1/372/511	330.66 Square Meters of SBA & 143.07 Square Meters of UDS	04 Nos. Measuring 50 Square Meters

in **Building No. 16** known as **'The Arcade' at 'Brigade Orchards',** presently in Ward No. 22 of Devanahalli Town Municipal, constructed on the Converted Lands comprised in Survey Nos. 371/1 and 372, situated at Devanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District and the aforesaid land is butted and bounded, that is to say, as follows:

On the East by : Open to sky on 5th Floor;
On the West by : Open to sky on 5th Floor;
On the North by : Open to sky on 5th Floor; and
On the South by : Open to sky on 5th Floor.

Dated this 21st day of June 2024.
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ARMY PUBLIC SCHOOL
K KAMARAJ ROAD, BANGALORE-42 Tele No : 080-25581238 www.apsbangalore.edu.in
LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION – 28 JUN 2024 (1000HRS)

TENDERS ARE INVITED FOR THE WORK/SUPPLY/INSTALLATION AT ARMY PUBLIC SCHOOL, K KAMARAJ ROAD, BANGALORE-42

Tender No	Description of Work
APS/180/2024-25	**IP based Classroom CCTV monitoring and announcement System** required for 5 sections each of Classes 8th, 9th and 11th (15 Classes) featuring the following:- • HD Audio and Video components • 2 HD cameras per class for Classroom Student view and Teaching Board view. • DVR with adequate storage capacity • Pre recorded announcement class and zone wise • IP based for Remote monitoring • Push to talk facility in each class • HD display with wireless mouse • Note: 12 slots in existing DVR is available. Further details can be ascertained from school on visit
APS/181/2024-25	**200 x Bench & Desk for Students for Class 10th & 11th** • School desk made of M.S frame with book shelf, • Powder coated and Pre-laminated board for top • All side edge banding 19MM top with back cover 3 feet with pre laminated board • Molded chairs with high density with heavy frame welded all sides • **Size**: Desk Top – 33", Desk Width – 35 ½", Desk Length – 47 ½", Chair Height – 19" • **Design**: As per sample kept in the school office.

Separate quotations are invited for the above mentioned works/ supply of items. Submit sealed quotation super scribed on the envelope **"TENDER FOR_____"** to reach at ARMY PUBLIC SCHOOL, KAMARAJ ROAD, BANGALORE on or before **28 Jun 2024** by 1000hrs. **(Vendors are advised to visit the site before submission of quotation)**

Note :
1. Vendors are advised to visit the site before submission of quotation.
2. **Two Bid system should be followed :-**
(a) **Technical Bid** - (i) Separate envelope, mentioning the Tender No (ii) GST No & PAN Details (iii) Company Registration Certificate (iv) Previous year IT Return Filing Certificate (v) Colour photographs of similar project done (vi) Plan and colour sketch of the project.
(b) **Financial Bid** - Separate envelope, mentioning the Tender No

Government of Karnataka
Department of Collegiate and Technical Education
NO. 1, Unnatha Shikshana Soudha, Sheshadri Road, Bangalore – 560 001
Phone: 080-22223906, email: dce.tenders2017@gmail.com

No.: DCE/ITS/PUR/12/2024-INFO (Computer No. 1437822) **Date: 21.06.2024**

E-Tender Notification

The Commissioner for Collegiate and Technical Education, Bangalore hereby invites bids in Two-Cover system through e-Procurement portal from eligible bidders for the following Tender. The Tender Documents with detailed terms and conditions may be obtained from the website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

Tender Schedules are as below

Sl. No.	Tender Name & Number	Date of Floating Tender on e- Procurement Portal	Date and Time of pre-bid meeting	Last date and Time for bidding through eprocurement portal
1.	**Tender No: DCE/2024-25/IND0015** "Supply of ICT Equipments for Mandya Unitary University of the Department of Collegiate and Technical Education, Bangalore"	21/06/2024	24/06/2024 12.00 Noon	28/06/2024 5.30 PM
2.	**Tender No: DCE/2024-25/IND0017** "Supply of Furniture for Mandya Unitary University & Maharani Cluster University of the Department of Collegiate and Technical Education, Bangalore"	21/06/2024	25/06/2024 11.00 AM	03/07/2024 5.30 PM
3.	**Tender No: DCE/2024-25/IND00014/Call-2** "Supply, Installation and Maintenance of Equipment and other Accessories necessary for establishment of Help desk at PMU of UUCMS Project"	19/06/2024	24/06/2024 11.00 AM	27/06/2024 5.30 PM

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Sd/-
Director of Collegiate Education, Bangalore

Testing times

The National Testing Agency needs an overhaul to regain credibility

The cancellation of the UGC-NET examination on Wednesday, just a day after its supposed "successful conduct" by the National Testing Agency (NTA), is one more load of straw threatening to break the agency's creaking reputation. Coming as it did after irregularities in this year's NEET-UG (medicine), and complaints about the JEE (engineering), the NTA is under intense pressure. In some ways, the Education Ministry's actions are in stark contrast to its response to the ongoing NEET fiasco, and seem to indicate that it has learnt some lessons. It took *suo motu* action on the basis of the Home Ministry's cybercrime team's inputs, even without any formal complaints from candidates, unlike in the NEET case where it has dragged its feet through committees and court cases despite multiple allegations and police complaints of paper leaks. The Ministry immediately cancelled the UGC-NET and promised a fresh examination. It has asked the CBI to probe the case, while not heeding the persistent demand of NEET aspirants for a similar probe. However, for the over nine lakh UGC-NET candidates who studied for months, and then travelled long distances to their examination centres, some taking loans to cover their costs, this is little consolation.

These young people deserve answers, and right now, most of the questions are still unanswered. For one, no one in the government's education establishment has explained why the NET was an offline exam conducted by the CBSE till 2018, when it was taken over by the NTA and became an online exam, only to revert this year to an offline, pen-and-paper exam, which is potentially more vulnerable to paper leaks. As the investigation is carried out, full transparency is key to any hopes that the NTA can regain trustworthiness in the eyes of candidates. The second is accountability and punishment of the guilty. The government would also do well to consider a rehaul of the NTA's systems and personnel to ensure that the technical glitches, cheating scams, paper leaks, and proxy candidates that have plagued the exams this year are not allowed to happen again. With the fate of lakhs of India's educated youth and youngest voters at stake, it is not surprising that the testing agency's woes have become a political hot potato. Some Opposition leaders have demanded that the NTA be dismantled and the responsibility for entrance examinations be handed over to the States instead. This may well curb the Union government's centralising tendencies leading to examinations of enormous scale that are harder to manage in a far-flung nation. However, some all-India examinations will always remain, and the need is for the States to join the Centre in recovering the integrity of the beleaguered examination system.

New Cold War

Russia's pact with North Korea will deepen U.S. ties in East Asia

The security pact reached between Russian President Vladimir Putin and North Korean leader Kim Jong-un in Pyongyang, in which both countries promised mutual assistance "in the event of aggression", has echoes from the Cold War era. Russia and North Korea, erstwhile allies, are facing biting sanctions, but for different reasons. And, both are at odds with the West. Now, they seem determined to revive the alliance so that they can stand up to the western-led global order together. Mr. Putin's visit to Pyongyang, his first in 24 years, itself marked a new beginning. The Russian leader has supported multilateral efforts to curb the North's nuclear programme in the past. Moscow has also voted for sanctions at the UN Security Council against Pyongyang over its nuclear arsenals. But the Ukraine war appears to have altered Kremlin's geopolitical arithmetic and provided an opportunity for Pyongyang to make itself useful as an ally. When the Ukraine war dragged on and Russia came under western sanctions, Mr. Putin turned to Mr. Kim for ammunition and ballistic missiles. After Mr. Kim's visit to Russia in September 2023, North Korea reportedly supplied ammunition to Russia. Moscow stepped up supplies of food and fuel, and there was speculation that it could help the North's defence sector with critical technologies. While both have rejected reports of weapons trade, the security pact clearly elevates ties to the level of a de facto alliance.

Ever since the Ukraine war, Mr. Putin has steadily expanded Russia's cooperation with countries that are at odds with the U.S. He reportedly bought kamikaze drones from Iran. China has also emerged as a key economic, technological and energy partner. And, by promising to help North Korea, an isolated, one-family-ruled totalitarian state that is still technically at war with South Korea, in the event of an attack, Russia has signalled its readiness to play a larger role in northeast Asia. Mr. Putin, essentially a cold warrior, wants to build an axis of the 'others' opposed by the West to expedite the churn in the global order. China remains cautious but seems fine with the idea of its closest partners challenging the western order. This will have far-reaching geopolitical consequences. North Korea will now have little incentive to discuss denuclearisation. Russia, which already has testy ties with Japan, could see its relationship with South Korea deteriorating. The agreement is also likely to strengthen the emerging tripartite partnership in East Asia among Japan, South Korea and the U.S., further solidifying the new cold war between great powers, which is still in its early stages.

A mandate for a new economic approach

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The results of the just concluded general election may partly be interpreted as signalling a discontent with economic conditions. The substantial drop in the number of seats won by the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) in Uttar Pradesh – which is among India's poorest and most rural States – aligns with this view.

Discontent, its sources

Dissatisfaction with governance is bound to be high at a time of unemployment and persistent inflation. Food-price inflation, in particular, has remained elevated for five years. It is highest for cereals and pulses, which are staples. For households at the bottom of the income distribution, food constitutes close to half their household expenditure. Past experience suggests that the price of food can be a determinant of how the electorate votes. For instance, historically high food-price inflation towards the end of its decade-long tenure had preceded the end of the A.B. Vajpayee-led National Democratic Alliance government in 2004. When it comes to jobs, the unemployment rate has mostly been higher since 2014. The Periodic Labour Force Survey also shows a decline in the real earnings of regular employees and the self-employed, being substantial in the case of the latter. These are some of the sources of the economic discontent that may have propelled the shift away from the BJP.

In the spirit of democracy, which he constantly refers to, Prime Minister Narendra Modi must now honour the mandate given by the people. His government must address the sources of their discontent. This would require a change from the economic approach that has been followed for the last decade. We are yet to see indications that the government has this in mind. The Finance Minister has promised 'reforms', and some supportive commentators have spoken of how they are essential for growth. Two points spring to mind as reforms are brought to the table.

First, Mr. Modi's much praised reforming zeal has not translated to a higher average growth rate after 2014. Reforms understood as changes in the policy regime are effective only to the extent that they affect the forces of demand or supply. Clearly, this has not happened strongly or widely enough in the economy, whatever the reforms undertaken by the present regime so far.

Second, the growth that we have seen since 2014 has not brought along with it the things that Indians aspire to. I have already mentioned the high food inflation. The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations estimates that close to 75% of the Indian population cannot afford a healthy diet. This is not surprising given the extent of increase in food prices in the past five years and the highly unequal distribution of income in the country. Apart from affordable food, Indians aspire to infrastructure, both physical and social. Social infrastructure is constituted mainly by health care and education. Physical infrastructure is almost everything that is necessary both for everyday life and engaging in economic activity. Both are crucial for living.

> To continue with the 'winning formula' — i.e., the economic policy of the past decade — would be to ignore the people's verdict, which is a reflection of their discontent

The economic policy of the past decade has focused on attracting foreign investment, moving to digital payment in all spheres, building a manufacturing sector through subsidy and, in the past three years, unleashing a highway construction spree. Combined with this, there have been a host of transfers, cash for farmers and housewives and free rations for the poorest. This might appear to be a winning formula, but it has not been enough to bring the BJP back with a majority. To continue with this would be to ignore the people's verdict. To honour it would require going beyond vague pronouncements on reforms or doubling down on welfare transfers, even if there was fiscal capacity for this. Showcasing macroeconomic stability also will not do. Till the COVID-19 pandemic, the central government had had fair success with fiscal consolidation, though not equally with inflation control, but that could not prevent growth from sliding even before COVID-19 had struck. While you certainly do not want macroeconomic instability, we can now see that it does not necessarily bring more growth or deliver the goods citizens aspire to. Continued high growth in India would require a rise in the investment rate. Private investment is guided by anticipation of demand. The private investment rate in India has not budged for a decade. Whether it will rebound at a time when its principal cheerleader, Mr. Modi, has lost his majority in Parliament is to be seen.

Glaring deficits

So, if 'more reforms' is not the way for economic policy to respond to the electorate, then what is? It would be to undertake specific interventions at the pressure points which currently signal a presence. The first, as already flagged, is the rising price of food. Other than the promotion of millets, agriculture has been a generally neglected aspect of the Modi economic package of the last decade. The relentless rise in prices of staple foods is the sign of an under-developed economy, and sits uncomfortably with the goal of a '*Viksit Bharat*'. While wheat production only experiences shortfalls in certain years, the production of pulses, a major source of protein for workers, has chronically fallen short of demand for decades. Making India self-sufficient in pulses must be taken up in mission mode. The supply of fruits and vegetables, the sources of vitamins and minerals, is hobbled by the absence of cold-storage facilities and poor transportation.

A second pressure point in the country is to be found in the Indian Railways. Its leadership appears to have been caught unawares by the rise in long-distance migration for work. Pictures of reserved compartments on long-distance trains swarming with ticketless travellers have sent shock waves across the country. In such a situation, to treat high-end 'Vande Bharat' trains as a priority, not to mention the bullet train, is a serious failure of judgment when it is not actually irresponsible.

A third pressure point is the strained water supply situation in our mega cities. First Bengaluru and now Delhi have witnessed severe deficits this summer. These are India's leading agglomerations and water shortage can cripple their economic potential, apart from endangering social harmony. '*Nal se jal*' must seem a distant dream to many.

The public sector is crucial

I have selected only a small set from the many deficits in India today, but this would be sufficient to see the point being made. Expressways and a Digital Stack, which the BJP has championed , have their place for sure, but connecting cities and digitising India are not the most pressing of the country's needs right now. The country needs infrastructure that supports both everyday life and economic activity. The first is easily understood, but the second perhaps not. Firms, including the self-employed, need producer services ranging from efficient transportation and steady electricity supply to sewerage and waste disposal facilities. When such services are unavailable, production cannot take place, and employment cannot expand.

The relatively high growth in India over the past quarter century has not delivered these services sufficiently, and they are unlikely to be supplied by the private sector within any time frame. Only the public sector can supply them at scale. Surely, this must be obvious to Mr. Modi as he travels the world to attend summits held in locations with impressive public infrastructure. His economic approach has banked too much on the private sector to take the lead in developing the country. But this has not materialised in a decade, and it is unlikely to change. The government, however, can undertake course correction now. Instead of promising, or even implementing, liberalising reforms, it should move swiftly to address the pressure points that are so obvious. It has set 2047 as the date to make the country a developed economy. However much it may grow by then, India will remain underdeveloped without the infrastructure to support life.

A progressive Indian policy on Myanmar outlined

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Three years on, the military in Myanmar, which overthrew the elected civilian government in February 2021, continues to kill, maim and displace its own people. India has steadfastly maintained formal relations with this regime, which has so far murdered more than 5,000 people and displaced some 2.5 million people. In its second tenure, the Narendra Modi government did very little to engage with the pro-democracy resistance, which now has both political and military wings. Indian foreign policy scholars and practitioners have doggedly defended this policy by arguing that India needs to work with the junta if it has to protect its "interests" in Myanmar and not get swayed by an idealistic preoccupation with "values".

How India can step out of China's shadow

But, in foreign policy, there is no clear line between "values" and "interests" simply because neither has a standard definition. It all depends on how a country defines these terms. This is also the case with India's Myanmar policy. New Delhi has long defined its "interests" in the Southeast Asian country in narrow strategic terms. But now, it needs to leverage a unique set of "values" to better defend its interests. It is possible for India to put in place a more progressive, values-driven Myanmar policy that works in favour, and not against, its national interests.

This new policy should have two key pivots, namely, democracy and human security. The new National Democratic Alliance (NDA) government, therefore, needs to take four interlocking steps immediately.

First, India needs to use its credentials as the largest federal democracy in the region to sharpen its influence in Myanmar. For long, Myanmar's pro-democracy political elites and civil society have looked up to India as a model of a federal democratic union with a well-oiled power-sharing arrangement between the centre and various subnational units. This is even more relevant today as the democratic resistance in Myanmar, which is led by the National Unity Government (NUG), dozens of ethnic revolutionary organisations, civil society organisations, and trade unions, strives to replace the military-drafted 2008 constitution with a federal constitution. By helping this vibrant opposition achieve its aim through capacity-building and knowledge exchange programmes, India can distinguish itself from China, its primary regional competitor in Myanmar. Both Beijing and New Delhi can sell military hardware to Myanmar, but only India can sell the spirit of federal cooperation. Here is a chance for the new Indian government to outmanoeuvre the Chinese in their own 'backyard'.

> New Delhi's stance of defining its 'interests' in the Southeast Asian country in narrow strategic terms needs to change

Weapons sales and humanitarian outreach

Second, India needs to immediately halt all weapon sales to the Myanmar military. According to the advocacy group, Justice For Myanmar (JFM), Indian state-owned military hardware manufacturers have sold a range of non-lethal and semi-lethal equipment to the junta since the 2021 coup. In its most recent report, published on March 27, the group claimed that on January 2, the Indian Air Force transferred a package which had 52 items, including navigation and communication parts, to its Myanmar counterpart. Another recent investigation by Frontier Myanmar claims that India sold more than $1.5 million worth of navy-grade diesel to junta-linked entities since the coup. New Delhi needs to immediately put a stop to these, as the Myanmar military continues to use all its three services – the army, air force, and navy – to attack non-combatant civilians using imprecise lethal tactics.

Third, India needs to immediately open cross-border humanitarian corridors to help civilians affected by the conflict along three border provinces – Sagaing Region, Chin State and northern Rakhine State. According to United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA) data, Sagaing Region has seen the largest quantum of internal displacement in all of Myanmar since the coup (as of March 25, 2024). Rakhine comes next, while Chin State sits tenth in the list. Continuing air strikes by the junta and clashes between armed groups in these areas have only pushed more civilians across the borders. New Delhi needs to first revoke its plans to fence the India-Myanmar border and reinstate the Free Movement Regime, or the FMR, which the Union Home Ministry suspended in February 2024. Then, it should engage existing humanitarian aid networks along the India-Myanmar border to send emergency relief assistance including medicines, food and tarpaulin to the other side. Mizoram, where a multi-layered asylum and aid ecosystem is already operational, is a good starting point. India should also collaborate with local and international non-governmental organisations with experience in the field. Best practices from Thailand, which recently started cross-border aid deliveries into Myanmar, should also be adopted. New Delhi should use its clout to ensure that the aid is not distributed by the junta, which not only has a disastrous track record in this field, but is also not even in control of large areas along the India-Myanmar border. It is also possible to run cross-border aid corridors without allowing contraband to pass through, with stringent checks and pre-delivery vetting.

Detention of asylum seekers

Fourth, the Narendra Modi government should immediately halt the detention and deportation of asylum seekers from Myanmar. This is especially so in the case of Manipur, where the BJP-led government has so far deported 115 asylum seekers to Myanmar – the latest round was on June 11. These are people who entered India not because they wanted to or with mal-intent, but because they were forced to. Regardless of the fact that India has not ratified the 1951 Refugee Convention, it is incumbent upon the government to treat them as refugees in need of humanitarian assistance and protection rather than as "illegal immigrants". Both the Indian Constitution and international law allow the Indian state to do so. In fact, the customary international legal principle of non-refoulement discourages India from deporting refugees back to a home country where they face a threat of persecution or death. The Centre should also urge the BJP-led Assam government to release the 27 Chin refugees detained in the State and house them in a humane refugee shelter.

India, the "*Vishwabandhu*", routinely claims to stand with the people of Myanmar. It should now walk the talk.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Kallakurichi and policy

It is heart-wrenching that several families in Kallakurichi district have lost their breadwinners. It is likely that the Tamil Nadu government will take action against bootleggers, at least in the short term. However, the elephant in the room — flawed liquor taxation policies — is being ignored. Liquor is viewed as an easy source of revenue for governments, as consumers are from diverse social classes and are not organised, allowing the governments to raise taxes without much backlash. Since total prohibition has been shown to be ineffective historically, there is a need for measures to ensure a safe product. Simultaneously, efforts to promote de-addiction and more awareness of the impact of alcohol on health must be scaled up.

Michael Jom,
Thiruvananthapuram

Examination scandal

It is a real shame and pathetic that even decades after Independence, a competitive examination cannot be conducted in a fair and scandal-free way in India. The plight of hapless aspirants cannot be imagined. Their being demoralised is only one aspect. Even though there are loopholes in the legal system in India, there needs to be stringent legal action and severe punishment even if the political class is found to be involved.

K.V. Ramesh Nair,
Chennai

Actor Darshan Thoogudeepa, after being arrested in connection with an alleged murder case. MURALI KUMAR K.

Catching a falling star

The killing of Renukaswamy, allegedly by Kannada film actor-producer Darshan and his associates, has made news even in places he and his films are not popular. **K.V. Aditya Bharadwaj** and **G.T. Sathish** chronicle the horrifying series of incidents that mirror society's realities: fan-culture, alleged social media violations, and violence so brutal that it caused death

A food delivery executive out with a Sunday-breakfast parcel on June 9, was headed to one of the apartments in Sattva Anugraha, an upmarket complex on the Outer Ring Road (ORR) in Bengaluru's western suburbs. On his way, he saw street dogs pull at what looked like the body of a man in a storm water drain. He alerted the security guards, who in turn called the police.

Based on the complaint of Kevalram Dorji, the security officer of the apartment complex, the police recovered the body riddled with injuries. It was stuck on a bushy slope off the road and had not fallen into the running water. There was no identification on him.

The CCTV footage from the apartment complex gave leads on two suspicious vehicles. As is routine, the police secured the body in a morgue and put out an advertisement with photographs in newspapers that evening, seeking information. It might have ended up as one of the many unidentified bodies in the metropolis, but the police were in for a surprise on the evening of June 10.

At about 7 p.m. that day, four men walked into the Kamakshipalya police station and confessed to the murder of the man they said was K.S. Renukaswamy, 33. A resident of Chitradurga, a district headquarters in central Karnataka, around 200 kilometres away from Bengaluru, Renukaswamy worked at a retail pharmacy chain. Raghavendra, 43, also from Chitradurga; Karthik, 27; Keshavamurthy, 27; and Nikhil Naik, 21, all from Bengaluru, claimed they had a financial dispute with the deceased, had abducted and brought him to the city, beaten him up, and he had died.

Police action

The police were sceptical: "The victim did not have a profile which could have led to his murder due to a financial dispute. Such surrenders usually happen only in underworld cases," said a senior police official, who has been leading the investigation.

Following sustained interrogation, the four told a different story. "What they revealed came as a shock to us," the official said. The men said Darshan Thoogudeepa, one of the most popular Kannada cinema actors, had got the victim abducted from Chitradurga, had him brought to a shed in Rajarajeshwari Nagar in Bengaluru, and had beaten him up by his associates, leading to his death.

They said the victim had sent obscene messages to Darshan's alleged partner Pavithra Gowda on social media. The actor had sent the four to surrender, paying them to keep his name out, police say. One of the four, Raghavendra, was the president of the Chitradurga District Darshan Fans' Club.

In the next few hours, the police arrested seven more people: Vinay V., 38, owner of Stonny Brook resto-bar in Bengaluru, where the actor had been partying on Saturday afternoon. Vinay's uncle owns the shed where the victim was allegedly tortured and killed. Deepak, 39, is a partner in the company running the shed and a nephew of a Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) city MLA. Pavan K., 29, is an employee of Darshan, working as Pavithra Gowda's helper. Pradosh, 40, is a corporate executive and has been Darshan's friend for two decades. Nandeesh, 28; Lakshman, 54; and Nagaraju, 41, were allegedly present at the shed and had assaulted the victim.

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> **KASHINATH S. SHIVANAGOWDRU**
> Renukaswamy's father

The next morning, as Gowda was arrested in Bengaluru, city police arrested Darshan, who was at a hotel in Mysuru for a film shoot.

Darshan is one of the highest paid actors in the Kannada film industry, called Sandalwood informally. "He did at least two or three movies a year earlier, and was considered a 'dependable' hero. Producers invested money in him; exhibitors felt the need for such a hero so that theatres would be busy most of the year. Both the industry and the audience admired him for different reasons," said Shashidhar Chitradurga, author and film journalist.

Darshan's most recent action film *Kaatera* is the industry's biggest hit this year so far. At election time, politicians flocked to get the D-Boss, as he is popularly known, to campaign for them, especially in southern Karnataka.

Last day at home

At about 2.30 p.m. on June 8, Renukaswamy had called his mother Rathnaprabha, 62, over the phone to tell her that he would not come home for lunch, and would return late in the evening. That was their last conversation. His body was brought to Chitradurga three days later.

Renukaswamy had left home around 9 a.m. on Saturday and parked his two-wheeler near Balaji Bar, close to the circle where the roads connecting Chitradurga with Bengaluru and Challakere taluka meet. As per CCTV camera footage, he got into an autorickshaw, and the vehicle took the Bengaluru route. After a couple of kilometres, the passengers in the autorickshaw and the driver shifted to a taxi.

They have now been identified as Raghavendra, the driver Ravi Shankar, and two of his associates Anu Kumar, 25, and Jagadeesh, 36, all from Chitradurga. Raghavendra had allegedly lured them into the plot, promising them a meeting with their idol, Darshan.

Back home, his mother; father, Kashinath S. Shivanagowdru, 75; and wife, Sahana K.S, 26, waited, as the evening turned to the next day, and there was no sign of him. "We called his friends and the pharmacy, but no one knew anything," says Shivanagowdru.

As they contemplated lodging a complaint with the police on Monday, Shivanagowdru, who retired as a senior assistant from the Bengaluru Electricity Supply Company (BESCOM) 17 years ago, got information of his son's death from the police. "I felt the ground beneath me cave in," recalled the father, still shaken.

Renukaswamy, who was actively involved in the activities of a few Hindutva groups, according to people in the locality, had dropped out of college, where he was studying Commerce. He secured a job in the sales section of a pharmacy company and worked at its outlets in Chitradurga, after undergoing training. "Last year, we got him married to Sahana. June 28 is his wedding anniversary, and we were planning an event to mark the occasion," said Shivanagowdru.

Instead, on June 17, the family held a ritual in memory of Renukaswamy. "Sorry, the moment I start to speak about my son, I cannot hold back my tears," Shivanagowdru said. What haunts him most are the reports of torture. "The moment I remember him, I start to imagine how he must have suffered. I imagine him pleading with folded hands, wailing in pain. He must have cried for help; he must have begged them not to torture him." Then, "His wife is five months pregnant."

Where it all happened

The now infamous shed, about 300 metres away from the road, is situated on a four-acre plot owned by Pattanagere Jayanna, who has significant land holdings in the Pattanagere village, now subsumed within Rajarajeshwari Nagar, a suburb in west Bengaluru. Intact Autoparc India Pvt Ltd had rented the land parcel. About 400 seized vehicles, including some trucks and buses, allegedly of loan defaulters, are parked in the space. It has a two-storey building at one end and is covered by at least eight CCTV cameras.

Raghavendra was allegedly instructed to take Renukaswamy to the shed, where at least one movie of Darshan had been shot. Darshan was partying at Stonny Brooks.

Gowda, who runs a boutique, had on January 24, this year, posted pictures with Darshan on social media with the caption, "One decade down; forever to go. #10year. It's been 10 years of our relationship. Thank you." A sprinkling of hearts and stars was added. Gowda became a target of trolls. The message upset many Darshan fans who sided with his wife, Vijayalakshmi, and wrote messages against Gowda.

Renukaswamy was one of them. Allegedly operating under multiple fake Instagram identities, he had persistently trolled Gowda publicly. Police say he used the account @goutham_ks_1990 to send her obscene messages and pictures. Police have now found that Renukaswamy was a habitual offender and had employed a similar modus operandi with many women. One of them had brought it to the notice of a police officer in March 2024, but no action was taken.

These messages enraged Gowda, who allegedly informed her help Pavan. Posing as Gowda, he had chatted with Renukaswamy, managing to extract his mobile number and details of his whereabouts. With this information, Darshan allegedly contacted Raghavendra, seeking his 'help'. Using the photo and number, Raghavendra tracked down Renukaswamy and brought him to the shed, allegedly on Darshan's instructions.

Darshan then allegedly landed up at the shed with Gowda and several of his associates, including Pavan, the pub owner Vinay, and his friend Pradosh. Investigations have now revealed that Darshan got Gowda to beat up Renukaswamy and made him apologise. Renukaswamy was later tortured for several hours. Police claim that Deepak, a partner in the company running the shed, who had been out on work, joined them midway.

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> **A SENIOR POLICE OFFICER**

Past and present offenders

The post-mortem report says that Renukaswamy's death was "due to shock and haemorrhage as a result of multiple blunt injuries sustained," say the police. The police's remand application gives graphic details of the torture. So far, 17 arrests have been made.

Police claim Pavan took charge of the cover-up, roping in three associates. Late in the night, the trio along with four others, took the body in two SUVs and threw it into the drain. "They assumed it would be washed away, but the body got stuck in the bushes," a police official said.

Darshan claims he only warned Renukaswamy, got Pavithra to slap him, and left, and that he had nothing to do with the murder. But police say he was present for much longer. The actor has now reportedly confessed to having paid Pradosh ₹30 lakh for the cover-up. Pradosh allegedly gave ₹5 lakh each to three who surrendered before the police, taking the blame for the murder. They had been promised more money for their families. Police have recovered the money.

Bengaluru City Police Commissioner B. Dayananda said they were confident of the case against the actor, as the arrest was based on strong evidence. "Barring Darshan, who had a domestic abuse case [in 2011, when he was arrested after his wife filed a case]; three others have petty cases against them; none of the other accused has any criminal record," another senior police officer leading the probe, said. He adds this was the reason they did not know how to cover their tracks.

Fact, fiction, and the film world

Following Darshan's arrest for murder, social media is abuzz with multiple clips from his films which eerily mirror the happenings in the case. The characters Darshan plays in the movies often portray a type of masculinity that punishes those who violate women, by taking the law into their hands. At 6.3 feet and a gym-built body, Darshan's appeal was at many levels.

"In the initial years, people appreciated his screen presence and stunts, in addition to his looks. It was the time when gym culture picked up in Karnataka. Young boys who were keen on their physical appearance followed the actor," said Shashidhar.

Despite being the son of on-screen villain and character-actor Thoogudeepa Srinivas, well-known in the 1970s and 1980s, Darshan started at the bottom of the film industry pyramid, working as a light boy, when he lost his father at 18. His first break as a lead actor came with the 2002 superhit *Majestic*, in which he played an orphaned youth led astray into Bengaluru's underworld.

With his arrest after the domestic violence case, for which he got bail, his relationship with the media soured, but most of his films continued to rake in money. Days after the domestic violence case, his film *Sarathi*, in which he played an auto driver fighting to take revenge over his father's murder, became a blockbuster.

Today, fans stand outside the police station where he is being held, and the police, have had to impose prohibitory orders around the station. Social media is awash with fan support.

In recent years, Darshan had made an effort to break away from the mould he found himself in, essaying roles of freedom fighter Sangolli Rayanna and the Mahabharata's tragic-hero Duryodhana in recent films. These brought him closer to family audiences. His recent films *Yajamana*, *Kranti*, and *Kaatera*, made good business and were hailed for their social messages.

Away from the blinding camera lights, Chandrappa, 60, accused person Anu Kumar's father, collapsed and died on hearing the news of his son's arrest. Chandrappa was a construction labourer; his wife Jayamma works as a domestic help. In their one-room tenement in Chitradurga, Jayamma says, "My son Anu's friend Jagadish is Darshan's fan. He forced Anu to join him for the trip," she says, weeping.

Police seal the shed were Renukaswamy, a fan of actor Darshan, was allegedly tortured and murdered. MURALI KUMAR K.

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Kejriwal to remain in jail as HC stays bail

Presenting his case before the High Court, Mr. Raju said, "Material facts were not considered by the trial court. There cannot be a better case for cancellation of bail than this one. There cannot be greater perversity than this."

"I was not allowed to argue fully. I was not given proper time of 2-3 days to file written submissions. This is not done. On merits, I have an excellent case. The trial court said 'finish off in half an hour' as it wanted to deliver the judgment. It did not give us full opportunity to argue the case," he said.

The trial court did not even look at his reply on the ground that it was bulky, he said.

He also mentioned that the trial court had given findings contrary to those of the High Court while upholding Mr. Kejriwal's arrest.

'Attempt to malign court'

Refuting Mr. Raju's claims, Mr. Singhvi said, "This matter lasted for five hours (before the trial court). Nearly 3 hours 45 minutes were taken by Mr. Raju (ED) and then trial judge is faulted because she does not repeat every comma and full stop."

He also called out the ED for attempting to malign the trial court judge by claiming she did not give the agency enough time to argue and did not consider material evidence.

"There is a complete misconception as to what the trial court judge dealing with bail application should do. ED's conception appears to be that the bail hearing merely because it involves a former Chief Minister and merely because there is a political antagonism with the ruling party must go on endlessly for hours without end," Mr. Singhvi said.

"It is extremely unfortunate the way Mr. Raju has maligned the trial court judge," he added.

Mr. Chaudhari submitted that Mr. Kejriwal had surrendered to the jail authorities on the expiry of the interim bail period, which showed his bonafide conduct.

T.N. hooch tragedy toll touches 50

A total of 135 others, including six women, are undergoing treatment at the Government Kallakurichi Medical College Hospital; government medical hospitals in Salem and Villupuram; and at JIPMER.

Official sources said a 71-member team of specialist doctors drawn from different government medical colleges and hospitals have been sent to the Kallakurichi hospital.

Former High Court judge B. Gokuldas, the one-man commission appointed by the State to probe the tragedy, on Friday visited the Kallakurichi hospital and Karunapuram, the epicentre of the tragedy, and held a meeting with officials.

The retired judge visited those admitted to the hospital and inquired about the incident. He also held a meeting with Collector M.S. Prasanth, SP Rajat Chaturvedi and officials from various line departments.

Meanwhile, T.N. Minister for Health and Family Welfare Ma. Subramanian visited the Jipmer in Puducherry, where some of the victims are undergoing treatment.

The CB-CID police have arrested one more person for his alleged involvement in the hooch tragedy.

Police said the accused, identified as Joseph alias Raja of Sankarapuram, had supplied the brew to Chinnadurai who in turn supplied it to bootlegger Govindaraj alias Kannukutty. The police have already arrested Chinnadurai, Govindaraj and two others in connection with the incident.

Act punishing organised cheating comes into effect

The law has provision for up to five years' imprisonment and a fine of up to ₹1 crore for exam malpractices; the UGC-NET exam cancelled on June 19 will not be covered by the new legislation

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Act, 2024 that has provision for up to five years' imprisonment and a fine of up to ₹1 crore for malpractices and organised cheating in government recruitment exams was notified by the Union government to come into effect from Friday.

The UGC-NET 2024 examination that was cancelled on June 19 on grounds of being compromised and is being investigated by the Central Bureau of Investigation will however not be covered by the newly enacted law.

On February 6, Parliament passed the Bill.

A notification issued by the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) on Friday said, "In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2) of Section 1 of the Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Act, 2024 (1 of 2024), the Central government hereby appoints the 21st day of June, 2024 as the date on which the provisions of the said Act shall come into force."

National Students Union of India supporters stage a protest against the irregularities in NEET-UG, in Nagpur on Friday. ANI

The Act mentions punishments for "leakage of question paper or answer key", "directly or indirectly assisting the candidate in any manner unauthorisedly in the public examination" and "tampering with the computer network or a computer resource or a computer system" as offences done by a person, group of persons or institutions.

List of offences

Besides these, "creation of fake website to cheat or for monetary gain", "conduct of fake examination, issuance of fake admit cards or offer letters to cheat or for monetary gain" and "manipulation in seating arrangements" are also among the offences punishable under the law.

"Any person or persons resorting to unfair means and offences under this Act shall be punished with imprisonment for a term not less than three years but which may extend to five years and with fine up to ₹10 lakh," said the Act.

A service provider, engaged by the public examination authority for conduct of examinations, shall also be liable to be punished with imposition of a fine up to ₹1 crore "and proportionate cost of examination shall also be recovered" from it, according to the Act.

Such service providers shall also be barred from being assigned with any responsibility for the conduct of any public examination for a period of four years.

SC refuses to postpone or stay NEET-UG counselling

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NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Friday asked the National Testing Agency (NTA) to respond to pleas for conducting a fresh National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET) 2024 following allegations of question paper leaks.

A Vacation Bench of Justices Vikram Nath and S.V. Bhatti, however, refused to postpone or stay the counselling process scheduled to begin on July 6.

"It [counselling] only commences from July 6. It will continue for a week. Meanwhile, the applicants have many options... to amend/modify...," Justice Bhatti told a counsel for a petitioner. The court, for the second consecutive week, issued notice to pleas seeking a CBI investigation into the allegations. A petitioner urged the court to bring the exam under its direct monitoring.

Govt. diverting issue to protect paper leak kingpin: Tejashwi

Amit Bhelari
PATNA

Tejashwi Yadav

A day after Bihar Deputy Chief Minister Vijay Kumar Sinha accused the private secretary of Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) leader Tejashwi Yadav of being involved in the NEET paper leak case, Mr. Yadav on Friday said attempts were being made to "divert the issue" to "protect the kingpin".

On Thursday, Mr. Sinha said Pritam Kumar, Mr. Yadav's aide, had booked the government guest house for Sikandar Prasad Yadavendu, an accused in the case. One of the arrested students, Anurag Yadav, told the police that Mr. Yadavendu dropped him at the place of accused Amit Anand and Nitish Kumar, who gave him the NEET question paper and answer sheet.

RJD leader's challenge

"If the government has any doubts, then call my private secretary and question him. I will ask the Chief Minister to arrest whoever is guilty. On the claim made by the Deputy CM, I am wondering why the Economic Offences Unit, which is investigating the case, has not issued any such statements," Mr. Yadav said.

"The engineer who has been arrested may be a beneficiary, but the mastermind is Amit Anand and Nitish Kumar. This government is making an attempt to divert the issue. Why does it want to protect the kingpin," he asked.

The RJD also hit back at the BJP by releasing an old photo of Mr. Anand along with Deputy Chief Minister Samrat Choudhary.

"The main accused in the NEET exam paper leak scam is with the Deputy Chief Minister of Bihar. The so-called powerful Minister who was felicitated by the accused has deleted all his photos with him from his social media handles but don't worry we have them all. Send this to your worried counterpart, the other deputy CM," the RJD wrote on its X handle on Friday.

The RJD leader blamed Prime Minister Narendra Modi for the paper leak and said exam papers are leaked in the BJP-ruled States.

NTA postpones joint CSIR-UGC-NET citing 'logistical issues'

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Amid multiple controversies that the National Testing Agency (NTA) is currently embroiled in, the agency on Friday issued a notification postponing the Joint CSIR-UGC-NET exam due to "unavoidable circumstances and logistical issues".

The notification stated: "The candidates are hereby informed that the Joint CSIR-UGC-NET Examination June-2024 which was scheduled to be held between 25.06.2024 to 27.06.2024 is being postponed due to unavoidable circumstances as well as logistic issues. The revised schedule for the conduct of this examination will be announced later through the official website."

Candidates have been asked to keep checking the official website.

Recurring issue

This comes days after the Education Ministry cancelled UGC-NET following inputs from the Home Ministry suggesting that the integrity of the examination had been compromised.

Over the past few days, students across the country have been questioning the testing agency over the irregularities in NEET-UG, and now about the cancellation of UGC-NET.

Congress set to raise NEET issue in Parliament, demand NTA overhaul

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Congress is likely to demand the cancellation of the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET) 2024, a senior leader said on Friday as the principal Opposition party is all set to raise the issue in the first session of the 18th Lok Sabha that begins on June 24.

As a separate discussion on the subject may not be possible in the short session of Parliament that will conclude on July 3, the party is likely to work out a joint strategy with INDIA partners to raise it during the Motion of Thanks to the President's Address to a joint sitting of Parliament.

Delhi Congress president Devendra Yadav while staging a protest over the NEET and NET exams issues, in New Delhi on Friday. ANI

The party will also demand a Supreme Court-monitored probe into the alleged irregularities, including question paper leak, as well as a complete overhaul of the National Testing Agency (NTA) that conducts exams such as NEET. Many of these points emerged during Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's interaction with NEET aspirants on Thursday.

"Thousands of students appearing for NEET are on the streets with their families in the scorching heat and [Prime Minister] Narendra Modi is silently watching the spectacle. I assure them that... India is with you," Mr. Gandhi said in a post on X on Friday.

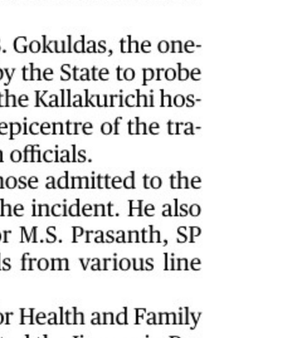
He also released a seven-minute video of his interaction with the NEET aspirants, in which many of them demanded a re-examination and a probe into the alleged irregularities.

In a post on X, Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi Vadra said question paper leaks had become a national problem under the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) rule, which had "ruined the future" of crores of youth.

Congress allegations on appointment of *pro tem* Speaker 'misleading': Rijiju

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Minister for Parliamentary Affairs Kiren Rijiju on Friday termed the Congress party's allegations that the claims of its MP, Kodikkunnil Suresh, had been overlooked in the appointment of *pro tem* Speaker as "misleading". He insisted that the Opposition had no "valid argument" on its side.


Kiren Rijiju

On Thursday, President Droupadi Murmu assented to appointing BJP MP Bhartruhari Mahtab as *pro tem* Speaker – usually the senior-most MP elected to administer the oath of office to other MPs in the House – of the 18th Lok Sabha. However, the Congress protested the move, asserting that Mr. Suresh who had entered his eighth term was overlooked.

Mr. Rijiju claimed that Mr. Suresh, though an eight-term MP, was not a member of the Lok Sabha in 1998 and 2004 and hence did not have an uninterrupted tenure.

"Do you think such an argument is even valid," he asked about the Congress's accusation that Mr. Suresh was ignored as he was a Dalit. Mr. Mahtab, he said, was entering his seventh-consecutive tenure. "We wanted the proceedings of Parliament, meeting for the first time with a new set of MPs, to start on a good note. But, even before the start of the first session, the Congress resorted to misleading everyone," Mr. Rijiju said.

He then went on to cite past precedents to show that the United Progressive Alliance (UPA) government had ignored the seniority principle, specifically when Congress MP Balasaheb Vikhe Patil had been appointed the *pro tem* Speaker, ignoring former Prime Minister Atal Behari Vajpayee, the late George Fernandes and former Odisha Chief Minister Giridhar Gamang, who all had more terms under their belt.

"I have to say it with great regret that I feel ashamed that the Congress has talked like this. The post of *pro tem* Speaker is very temporary. They play their role till the election of the new Speaker," he said.

Marathwada simmers as Jarange-Patil, Hake cross swords

Shoumojit Banerjee
PUNE

Maharashtra's Marathwada region seethed with caste tensions yet again on Friday as other backward class (OBC) activist Laxman Hake, on an indefinite hunger strike, traded bitter barbs with Maratha quota activist Manoj Jarange-Patil over the Maratha reservation and OBC counter-protest issue even as Home Minister Devendra Fadnavis and CM Eknath Shinde's *Mahayuti* government strove to defuse tensions.

While Mr. Fadnavis said the government did not want "a Marathas versus OBC face-off" and wanted to preclude caste tensions, Mr. Hake refused to call off his fast which entered its ninth day in Jalna's Wadigodri village today, reiterating that the State government give a written assurance that it would not accommodate Maratha community interests at the cost of harming OBC reservation.

Throwing down the gauntlet to Mr. Jarange-Patil, Mr. Hake said, "Jarange, you do not have the stature to argue with me on reservation. Someone needs to educate and teach him about policy. He knows nothing about the Mandal Commission."

In a stinging riposte, Mr. Jarange-Patil accused Mr. Hake of being an 'agent' of his bête noire, OBC leader and Maharashtra Minister Chhagan Bhujbal and vowed to destroy the NCP leader's political career.

"It is clear how casteist Laxman Hake really is. I warn the Shinde government that if they try and commit injustice towards the Maratha community, then we will put their leaders in their proper places," Mr. Jarange-Patil said.

Trinamool joins Opposition chorus against implementing three new criminal laws

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

This is the first sign of all parties of the INDIA bloc working together ahead of the Parliament session

West Bengal Chief Minister and Trinamool Congress chief Mamata Banerjee has written a letter to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, urging him to pause the operation of the three criminal laws that replace the Indian Penal Code, Code of Criminal Procedure and the Indian Evidence Act.

Her letter comes after a meeting with senior Congress leader P. Chidambaram, who also served as the Home Minister in the UPA government.

Mr. Chidambaram, Trinamool leader Derek O'Brien and DMK's N.R. Elango were part of the Parliamentary Standing Committee and had given dissent notes to the reports on the three Bills.

This is the first sign of Opposition parties belonging to the INDIA bloc working together on crucial issues before the first session of the 18th Lok Sabha.

A senior Trinamool leader said the presence of Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury as the Congress leader in the Lok Sabha was a stumbling block to cooperation between the Trinamool and the Congress.

In her letter, Ms. Banerjee noted that the three Bills were passed in the Lok Sabha at a time when 146 MPs had been suspended.

The Trinamool chief expressed "grave concern" over the impending implementation of the three laws – Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) 2023, Bharatiya Sakhsya Adhiniyam (BSA) 2023 and Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) 2023.

"The outgoing government of yours had passed these three critical Bills unilaterally, and with absolutely no debate. That day, almost 100 members of the Lok Sabha had been suspended and a total of 146 MPs of both Houses were thrown out of Parliament," she said.

The Trinamool chief said the three Bills were passed in an "authoritarian manner" in that "dark hour of democracy".

"I urge your esteemed office now to consider at least a deferment of the implementation date. Reasons are two-fold – ethical and practical," Ms. Banerjee said.

(With PTI inputs)

98 Indians died during annual Haj pilgrimage

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

Ninety-eight Indians have died so far this year during the annual Muslim pilgrimage of Haj to Mecca due to natural causes, chronic illnesses and old age, the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) said on Friday.

The total number of deaths of Indians during the entire Haj period last year was 187, MEA spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said during his weekly media briefing.

"This year, 1,75,000 Indians visited Mecca during the Haj period from May 9 to July 22. Till now, 98 deaths have been reported this year," Mr. Jaiswal said.

"The deaths were due to natural causes, chronic illnesses, and old age. Six people died on the day of Arafat and four were accident-related deaths," Mr. Jaiswal added.

The Ministry spokesperson was responding to a question on the deaths of Indians during Haj.

Gupta has not requested consular help, his family is in touch, says MEA

Ministry reiterates that a high-level committee is looking into various inputs on the U.S. charges against the businessman; it also slams Canadian Parliament's decision to observe a moment of silence in the memory of Hardeep Singh Nijjar

Suhasini Haidar
NEW DELHI

> We have so far not received any request for consular access from Nikhil Gupta, but his family has got in touch with us... we are looking at the matter, as to what can be done
> **RANDHIR JAISWAL**
> Ministry spokesperson

Nikhil Gupta, the businessman accused in the U.S. of an assassination plot against Khalistani separatist Gurpatwant Singh Pannun, has not asked for consular help, the Ministry of External Affairs has said.

"We have so far not received any request for consular access from Mr. Gupta, but his family has got in touch with us, and we are in touch with the family members, and we are looking at the matter, as to what can be done," said Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal, confirming that Mr. Gupta was extradited from the Czech Republic to the U.S. on June 14. He was produced in a New York court on Monday where he pleaded "not guilty" to the charges in the case.

In a statement this week, U.S. Attorney-General Merrick Garland said Mr. Gupta will "now face justice" in an American courtroom. "This extradition makes it clear that the Justice Department will not tolerate attempts to silence or harm American citizens," he added.

The government has denied that killing or targeting Khalistani separatists abroad is "Indian policy". However, after U.S. agencies filed charges against Mr. Gupta in November, and identified – without naming – an Indian official while publishing transcripts, which if proven may implicate others in India's security structure and leadership, the Ministry announced a "high-level" enquiry panel into the charges levelled by the U.S.

When asked by *The Hindu* last month why no details about the composition of the committee, or its investigation thus far had been announced more than six months later, the Ministry spokesperson said that he could only confirm "that the high-level committee has been constituted and the high-level committee is looking into all the inputs that were shared with us".

Nijjar case

Meanwhile, India has consistently denied similar charges made by Canada on the killing of Khalistani separatist Hardeep Singh Nijjar in June 2023. Reacting to the Canadian Parliament's decision to stand for a moment of silence this week to mark Nijjar's death anniversary, Mr. Jaiswal said India opposes "any moves giving political space to extremism and those advocating violence".

"To advocate anti-India agenda is the real problem. And therefore, we have time and again been insisting that Canadian authorities take strict action against them," he added, referring to Nijjar supporters who took out rallies and held "mock-court trials accusing Prime Minister Narendra Modi for his killing".

The Ministry also took sharp aim at Australian Broadcaster ABC for a recent documentary entitled *"Spies, secrets and threats: How the Modi regime targets people overseas"*, which alleged that four Indian diplomats were expelled from Australia for espionage and spying on Khalistani activists and contained accusations that groups allied to the BJP were engaged in "political interference" in Australia.

"The documentary is biased and reflects unprofessional reporting. We obviously oppose any such attempts to condone, justify, or even glorify terrorism," said Mr. Jaiswal on Friday, but did not respond to specific questions about the alleged expulsion of Indian diplomats.

Trial court order had come down on ED 'bias' in Kejriwal case

Ishita Mishra
NEW DELHI

> The ED should be prompt and fair so that it can be perceived that the principles of natural justice were also being followed by the agency
> **DELHI COURT**

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) was acting with bias against Delhi Chief Minister and Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) founder Arvind Kejriwal, who was booked in the excise policy case, the Delhi court observed on Thursday while granting him bail. The court's order was then put on hold by the Delhi High Court on Friday.

The trial court had said that ED had failed to give any direct evidence linking Mr. Kejriwal with the proceeds of the crime.

It also came down heavily on the ED's arguments that investigation was an art, "... because if it is so, then, any person can be implicated and kept behind bars by artistically procuring the material against him after artistically avoiding/withdrawing exculpatory material from the record. This very scenario constrains the court to draw an inference against the investigating agency that it is not acting without bias."

The court's statements came on the arguments made by the ED, through Additional Solicitor General S.V. Raju, in which the agency had said that an approver cannot be discredited for the reason that he had been given an inducement in respect of bail or pardon.

Special Judge Niyay Bindu also said that the agency remained silent on the fact that Mr. Kejriwal was not named by the Central Bureau of Investigation in its First Information Report or the Enforcement Case Information Report (ECIR) registered by the ED.

The court noted that the allegations against Mr. Kejriwal surfaced only in the subsequent statements of certain co-accused. It noted that Mr. Kejriwal had not been summoned by the court to date but was lying in judicial custody on the insistence of the ED.

"ED has not shown anything on record that Vijay Nair was acting upon the directions of the applicant. It has also failed to establish that even if Vinod Chauhan has close relations with Charanpreet, how come the same going to help ED to establish the guilt of the applicant, even if, the applicant is having acquaintance with both of these co-accused," the court noted.

'No link'

"ED is also not clarifying as to how the alleged amount of ₹40 crore being traced out during the investigation is forming a part of the proceeds of the crime. It seems that ED also believes that the evidence on record is not sufficient to proceed against the applicant and it is taking time to procure the same in any manner whatsoever to convince the court with respect to the availability of the evidence against the applicant," the court said.

It noted that the ED should be prompt and fair so that it can be perceived that the principles of natural justice were also being followed by the agency.

Commenting on the delayed bail in cases under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, the court noted that it became impossible for the accused to obtain bail in such cases as the investigating agency gave its own reasons, putting the accused on par with a convict without any hope of release.

"The situation becomes more grave if later on, the accused comes out to be innocent and the agony he has undergone remains unexplained," the court had said while granting bail to Mr. Kejriwal.

Bangladesh Prime Minister arrives on two-day visit to India

Kallol Bhattacherjee
NEW DELHI

Sheikh Hasina

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina of Bangladesh arrived here on Friday for a two-day visit that is being watched keenly as it is the first state visit by a foreign head of government just 10 days after Prime Minister Narendra Modi was sworn in for a third term in office. External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar was the first to call on Ms. Hasina soon after she reached Delhi.

"Her state visit to India underlines our close and abiding ties. Appreciate her guidance on the further development of our special partnership," said Dr. Jaishankar. Ms. Hasina has maintained cordial relations with the Modi government and the two sides have often worked together on critical issues such as combating the pandemic or security matters, but in this visit, the presence of the Governor of the Bangladesh Central Bank Abdur Rouf Talukdar in the delegation of the Bangladesh side has heightened curiosity about the substance of the visit. Bangladesh is currently combating a financial crisis including high inflation and banking sector liquidity crunch.

The delegation also includes Secretary of Economic Relations Department Mohammad Shahriar Quader Siddiqui. Notably, Kazi Zafrullah, one of the biggest bankers in Bangladesh and a leading light of Awami League, is also part of the visiting delegation.

From Kashmir, PM attempts to shed religious connections with yoga

Peerzada Ashiq
SRINAGAR

Narendra Modi interacts with students after the yoga session on International Yoga Day celebrations, in Srinagar on Friday. ANI

Posing for pictures amid scarf-wearing students, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday positioned yoga for global Muslims from the country's Muslim-majority Jammu and Kashmir.

Addressing the 10th International Day of Yoga (IYD) event at Srinagar's Sher-i-Kashmir International Convention Centre (SKICC), with the Dal Lake in its backdrop, the PM said those who practice yoga could use any incantations, "whether it's Allah, Ishwar or Waheguru".

The PM made an elaborate statement on how Muslims globally were adopting yoga and cited the adoption of yoga therapy in Turkmenistan medical universities, as well as its inclusion in Saudi Arabia's education system and yoga-specific schools in Mongolia.

"Yoga's utility is being recognised globally. There is barely any world leader who has not discussed yoga during his interactions. Yoga has become a part of daily life in every corner of the world. Yoga has become a topic of research today and multiple research papers have already been published," the PM said.

He suggested that yoga and tourism could "become a major source of employment in J&K too". "Yoga is not only a discipline but also a science," he added.

Events across J&K

An official estimate suggested that 50,000 to 60,000 locals of J&K participated in yoga programmes across the Union Territory on Friday. Scores of yoga sessions were held in several districts, along the Line of Control, and at the tourist spots of Kashmir Valley on the occasion.

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INBRIEF

Gujarat HC allows Netflix to release movie *Maharaj*

The Gujarat High Court on Friday allowed the release of film *Maharaj* on Netflix. The court concluded that it does not hurt the sentiments of the followers of Vaishnav Pushtimarg sect like the petitioners had claimed. The film, starring Junaid Khan, produced by Yash Raj Films, based on an 1862 libel case involving Karsandas Mulji, was earlier slated to be released on June 18 but the court had granted an interim stay after concerns were raised that the film may hurt religious sentiments of the influential group in Gujarat.

Panchayat offers bribe to rape victim, NHRC issues notice

The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) on Friday issued notices to authorities in a case where a village panchayat in Baghpat district of Uttar Pradesh asked the mother of a sexual assault victim to take a sum of ₹5,000 from her daughter's tormentors and terminate her pregnancy. The family of the victim, who is a minor, was also threatened at the behest of the harassers. The NHRC said it was painful to note that the panchayat connived with the accused belonging to a dominant section of society, instead of protecting the victim.

Zonal Railways seek clarity on signal-failure protocols

Confusion prevails over operation of trains during signal glitches, especially on automatic signalling stretches; Western Railway asks for clarification, Eastern Railway withdraws order banning TA-912

S. Vijay Kumar
Shiv Sahay Singh
CHENNAI/KOLKATA

With frequent train accidents causing multiple deaths, confusion prevails in the railways over the operation of trains during signal failures, especially in the automatic signalling territory.

Investigation is on into the horrific collision of three trains, including the Shalimar-Chennai Coromandel Express, in South Eastern Railway on June 2, 2023 that left about 300 passengers dead and over 900 injured; the rear-end collision of two passenger trains in East Coast Railway in Andhra Pradesh on October 29, 2023, which caused the deaths of 17 passengers; and the Kanchanjungha train accident in the Katihar Division of Northeast Frontier Railway in West Bengal on June 17 in which 10 people died and many others became injured. The primary cause of these major accidents is suspected to be signal failure or confusion in train operating protocols during such situations.

Mangled remains of the Kanchanjunga Express train after a goods train rammed into it on June 17. PTI

With increasing fatal accidents, Zonal Railways are confused over the Standard Operating Procedures.

The Eastern Railway on Wednesday issued an order banning TA-912, a travel authority issued during signal failures by Station Masters to loco pilots authorising them to cross the signal in red. However, the very next day the order was withdrawn.

A senior official of Eastern Railway told *The Hindu* that the order was issued by a junior official and was rectified by the Senior Divisional Operations Manager (SDOM).

In another case, the Western Railway, headquartered in Mumbai, sought clarifications on confusion regarding certain situations.

In a note, the SDOM, Ahmedabad Division, referring to the norms pertaining to train operations during failures in automatic signalling system, said the rules mentioned in Chapter IX Automatic Block System in General and Subsidiary Rules 2008 edition were "contradictory and the same are required to be critically assessed. The necessary corrections, as required, may be effected to avoid any confusion among the staff."

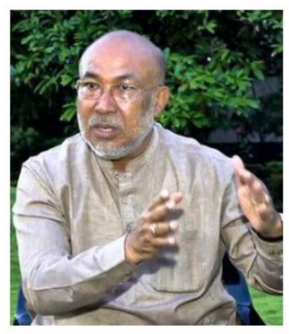
TV interview

While one of the loco pilots of the goods train that hit Kanchanjunga Express on June 17, Anil Kumar, died in the accident, assistant loco pilot Manu Kumar was admitted to a hospital in Siliguri with severe injuries. Mr. Manu Kumar told a private television news channel that by the time both the drivers spotted the express train, it was too late to apply brakes.

He said the loco pilot told him to apply brakes and also pulled the lever. According to the assistant loco pilot, Anil Kumar's last words were to "'apply brakes... even if the bogies derail".

Peace will return to Manipur in three months: Biren Singh

The Hindu Bureau
GUWAHATI



N. Biren Singh

Manipur Chief Minister Nongthombam Biren Singh on Friday said peace would return to the State in two or three months' time, as the new National Democratic Alliance government at the Centre has given priority to resolving the 14-month-long conflict here.

He also claimed that with businesses opening up, Manipur has been slowly returning to normal.

"Although the State has been going through a crisis for 14 months, the actual violence happened for only half this period. This indicates that there were seven months of peace with schools and business establishments reopening," Mr. Singh told journalists during an event to mark International Yoga Day in the State's capital Imphal.

He admitted that there have been incidents of violence in some pockets of the State owing to a lack of security personnel, many of whom had left for election duty. They have been deployed once again in the vulnerable areas, he said.

"The situation will be better now. We hope to arrive at a solution to the crisis within two-three months," he said, attributing the optimism to the "top priority" given by the "Narendra Modi 3.0 government" to ensure a reign of peace in Manipur.

An action plan is being worked on following a high-security meeting chaired by Home Minister Amit Shah a few days ago, he added.

Mr. Singh asserted that influx from Myanmar and the drug menace from outside the region were responsible for the unrest in Manipur.

Addressing these issues would lead to faster resolution of the State's crisis, Mr. Singh said.

'Peer support from TB survivors aids treatment of over four lakh patients'

The Hindu Bureau
CHENNAI

Dignitaries releasing the National Impact Report on Unite to ACT project in New Delhi on Friday. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Over four lakh people with tuberculosis across India received essential peer support and person-centred care from 2,000 TB survivors trained as 'champions', said the Resource Group for Education and Advocacy for Community Health (REACH), a non-profit organisation working on TB, at the national dissemination meeting of the Unite to ACT Project in New Delhi on Friday.

At the meeting, former NITI Aayog member Vinod Kumar Paul emphasised the vital role of community engagement in eliminating TB in India and appreciated REACH for developing a model worthy of emulation, with the 'TB Champions' at the forefront, said a press release from REACH. As part of the Unite to Act project, 'TB Champions' or survivors work as community role models to raise awareness about the disease and provide valuable care and support to the affected people.

REACH director Ramya Ananthakrishnan said, "Through the Unite to ACT project, we have witnessed first-hand the commitment of TB Champions in transforming lives and reducing stigma within communities, by drawing on their own personal experiences of TB and driven by the motivation that no one should suffer like they did. As a result, we have been able to improve the overall treatment success rates for people with TB."

Arun Kumar Jha, former Economic Adviser, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare; Raghuram Rao, Assistant Director General, Central TB Division, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare; Nishant Kumar, Joint Director, Central TB Division, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare; and Sarabjit Chadha, Regional Technical Director (India & South-East Asia), FIND, participated.

Patent filings credit Bharat Biotech as sole 'inventor' of Covaxin, no mention of ICMR

Jacob Koshy
NEW DELHI

India's first indigenously developed coronavirus vaccine, Covaxin, was a joint collaboration between the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) and the Hyderabad-based Bharat Biotech International Limited (BBIL) with intellectual property (IP) rights jointly shared between the two organisations. That is what the public record states.

However, filings by the BBIL at patent offices in India, the United States and Europe suggest that only its scientists and personnel are credited as 'inventors' of the vaccine with no mention of ICMR scientists.

The Hindu has viewed documents detailing these patent applications. If BBIL personnel, credited in applications as Deepak Kumar and Krishna Murthy Ella – Chairman and Founder, BBIL – are indeed the only inventors, it contradicts a statement by the Union Health Ministry in the Rajya Sabha, which claimed that the IP rights are "jointly owned".

In response to a question in the Rajya Sabha on July 2021 by Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge, who demanded details of the agreement between the ICMR and the BBIL for the development of Covaxin, the then Minister of State (Health Ministry) Bharati Pravin Pawar laid out a detailed response.

The Minister's statement said the ICMR would provide a "well characterised" virus strain for vaccine development, the BBIL would develop the final vaccine formulation and, be given a "non-exclusive" licence granted to commercialise the product within two years.

It was explicitly mentioned that the "...intellectual property over the product would be jointly owned by the ICMR and the BBIL". The ICMR would also receive as royalty 5% of net sales to be remitted half-yearly.

Health Ministry claimed the IP rights were 'jointly owned' by ICMR and Bharat Biotech.

The ICMR said that while it had not funded the BBIL for Covaxin development, one of its institutes – the ICMR-National Institute of Virology (NIV), Pune – had spent "funds for Covaxin development".

It also funded Phase-3 clinical trials of Covaxin at 25 locations, involving 25,800 participants. All in all, the ICMR spent ₹35 crore for developing Covaxin. As of January 2022 – according to an update by the government to the Rajya Sabha – the ICMR received ₹171 crore as royalty for Covaxin.

The BBIL, which has over the years had several research collaborations with public research bodies such as the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) and the ICMR itself, has listed scientists from all institutions as 'inventors' in patent applications.

Process development

A BBIL spokesperson told *The Hindu* that the patent filed by Bharat Biotech was only for "process development" and specific to the making of the vaccine. It also covered the use of an adjuvant (an ingredient used in vaccines to elicit a stronger response) that was licensed from Kansas-based ViroVax and added to Covaxin.

India's patent laws allow both product and process patents.

The ICMR's close involvement in all aspects of Covaxin development is well known, particularly – as former chief Dr. Balram Bhargava has described in his book, *Going Viral: The Making of Covaxin*, how ICMR scientists isolated the Sars-Cov2 strain from Italian tourists in March 2020, gave it to Bharat Biotech which developed a batch of vaccine candidates by April 30 that were then used to conduct preclinical animal studies on rats, hamsters, monkeys and following encouraging results, trials on humans. All of the resulting publications that describe the results of these trialslist both ICMR scientists as well as scientists from the BBIL as co-authors in the study.

"This raises some important questions. If intellectual property is jointly owned, then patent applications require that all the inventors be mentioned. ," Dr. Zakir Thomas, who was previously involved in intellectual property development at CSIR, told *The Hindu*.

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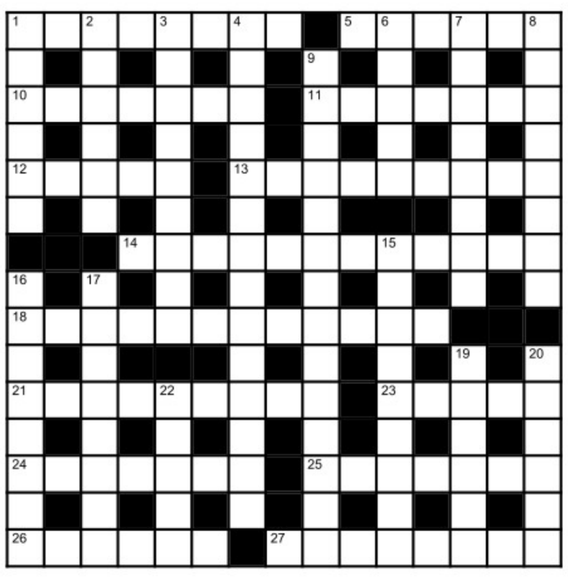

Across

1 Divine food with beer at sea (8)
5 Bell-shaped hat of lady in company, revolutionary (6)
10 Stupor following damage - no cure primarily for malignant tumour (7)
11 Train ride on vacation enthrals retired couple (7)
12 Decayed mainly, wants money for dental filling (5)
13 Playing with money, group wins thousand by end of game (9)
14 What one maintaining a campfire might do to worsen a tense situation (3,3,6)
18 Desire to save sick woman with case of exceptional weakness (8,4)
21 Reveller in wild orgy, consuming ecstasy after knocking back gin (9)
23 Detach firewall at first in computer operating system (5)
24 Character's new concoction of rum and ale (7)
25 That is containing very superior form of chemical element (7)
26 Language of harridan is horrible (6)
27 Dug a hole finally, turned to keep small plant (8)

Down

1 Remains extremely sanctimonious in defeat (6)
2 Occasionally start to rise early, for a change (6)
3 Sexual invitation in Indian hill station by head of company during party (5,4)
4 Where old dad, smashed after drinking shot is sleeping very soundly (4,2,3,5)
6 Fresh after drinking bit of tea or coffee (5)
7 Proves criminals control corporation (8)
8 English singer popped ecstasy to perk up (8)
9 Perfect beau in pic - romancing her, freely expressing love (6,8)
15 Questionable value, cease to have sugar (9)
16 Disheartened author cuddled by lady on date (8)
17 Simple switches in fine electronic musical instrument (8)
19 Distinguished head of orthopaedics, often busy (2,4)
20 Reach out, start to eagerly kiss nurse (6)
22 Dilapidated, rusty nomadic dwellings (5)

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Solution to yesterday's Sudoku

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FAITH

The essence of Vedas

Learning period is called "celibacy", and married life is called "Gruhastha ashrama" – the period of implementing and following the rituals and righteous deeds learned during the previous period. Smt. Suryapriya said in a discourse that Vedic verses highlight the necessity of living without worldly desires, with righteous principles. This would be a healthy attitude. What various scriptures say in umpteen verses can be told in just half a line – "Paropakaraya Punyaya" – helping others and giving charity will yield all good.

The essence of Vedas contains three aspects – rituals, values, and attitudes. People who cannot learn Vedas can learn Sri Bhagavad Gita, the essence of Vedas. Ritual is a physical expression of emotions. They may be classified as family-centric, society-centric, nation-centric and international-centric. They all aim to create unity among people and signify humanity's brotherhood. It helps create a symbiotic relationship. We should not be self-centred.

Nature's elements such as water, earth, sky, plants, air, and sun contribute to and support our growth and welfare. We should reciprocate by propitiating these, which form part of God. Lord Krishna says: By nourishing one another, may you obtain the highest good (moksha), Chapter III Sloka 11.

INBRIEF

Sun Pharma to unveil Takeda gastrointestinal drug in India

Drugmaker Sun Pharmaceutical Industries has entered into a non-exclusive patent licensing agreement with Takeda Pharmaceutical Company to commercialise the latter's gastrointestinal drug Vonoprazan tablets 10 mg, 20 mg in India under the brand name Voltapraz. Discovered and developed by Takeda, Vonoprazan is a novel, orally active potassium competitive acid blocker, used to treat reflux esophagitis and other acid peptic disorders.

Zepto raises $665 million at a valuation of $3.6 billion

Consumer internet company Zepto said it had raised $665 million at a valuation of $3.6 billion, nine months after it had raised $235 million at a $1.4 billion valuation. Avenir, Lightspeed, and Avra had joined as new investors, among others, the company said in a statement. Existing investors Glade Brook, Nexus and StepStone co-led the round with Goodwater and Lachy Groom doubling down as well, the consumer internet firm added.

Samrat appointed convenor of GST rate rationalisation panel

Bihar Deputy CM Samrat Chaudhary has been appointed as convenor of the GoM on GST rate rationalisation. Other members of the reconstituted panel are U.P. FM Suresh Kumar Khanna, Goa Transport Minister Mauvin Godinho, and Rajasthan Medical and Health Services Minister Gajendra Singh, West Bengal FM Chandrima Bhattacharya, Karnataka Revenue Minister Krishna Byre Gowda, and Kerala FM K.N. Balagopal, according to a memorandum. PTI

'Growth sacrifice' view grows in MPC

External member Goyal cautions MPC against repeating the mistake of 2015, when policymakers avoided cutting interest rates on fears that crude prices could rise again and thus hurt growth; joins Varma in voting for a 25 bps rate reduction

Lalatendu Mishra
MUMBAI

Ashima Goyal joined Jayanth R. Varma as the two external members of the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) voted as a minority for a 0.25% rate cut at the latest MPC meeting, warning against the rising risks of 'status quosim' and 'growth sacrifice' as a result of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) persisting with its tight monetary policy approach, the minutes of the June 5-7 meeting released on Friday show.

"Headline inflation has been around 5% since January... while core inflation has been below 4% since December 2023," Dr. Goyal noted. "The headline inflation projection of 4.5% for 2024-25 gives an average real repo rate of 2% implying that the real repo rate will be above neutral for too long if the repo rate stays unchanged," she pointed out.

Stating that slowing inflation had raised real repo above unity, she said this would reduce real growth rate with a lag. "Expected growth is around 7% in 2024-25 below the 8% achieved in 2023-24. Status quoism is praised as being cautious. But if doing nothing distorts real variables it aggravates shocks instead of smoothing them and raises risk," she asserted.

Dr. Goyal stressed that it was necessary to avoid the mistake of 2015 when global crude oil prices fell substantially but the fear that they would rise again prevented an adequate cut in the policy rate. "Real interest rates rose substantially and hurt growth."

Mr. Varma said: "I expressed concern about the growth sacrifice in 2024-25 induced by restrictive monetary policy. It now appears that the maintenance of restrictive policy for unwarrantedly long will lead to a growth sacrifice in 2025-26 as well."

RBI Deputy Governor Michael Debabrata Patra, however, said policy needed to stay focused on aligning inflation to the target or risk undermining medium-term growth.

Debate widens

MPC member Goyal joins Varma in voting for a rate cut, cites risks to growth from keeping policy restrictive for unduly long

- MPC's headline inflation projection of 4.5% gives an average real repo rate of 2%, says Goyal
- This implies the real repo rate will be above neutral for too long if the repo rate stays unchanged, she argues
- Policy must stay focused on aligning inflation to target or risk undermining medium-term growth: RBI's Patra

'Private sector activity perks up; business optimism falls'

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Manufacturing as well as services activity picked up pace in June, as per the HSBC Flash India Purchasing Managers' Indices (PMI) released on Friday, but business optimism levels slumped sharply despite an improvement in margins amid a marked reduction in input costs.

Rising demand and capacity pressures compelled manufacturing as well as services businesses surveyed for the PMI to ramp up staffing levels and input buying, with hiring reckoned to have grown at the fastest pace in 18 years.

Manufacturing sector activity recovered after slipping to a three-month low in May, as per the Flash PMI that serves as an advance indicator for a month's economic momentum, and rose to 58.5 from 57.5 last month.

Gains in the services sector were not as sharp, with the PMI rising marginally, from 60.2 in May, to 60.4. However, services players did better than goods producers in terms of global demand, with fresh orders reported.

While input costs moderated, manufacturers raised output prices, while services firms tempered charges to customers.

"However, we should remain slightly cautious as the future output index fell sharply," HSBC economists Pranjul Bhandari and Maitreyi Das wrote in a note. "The overall degree of optimism weakened to a three-month low, but remained above the series average," they added.

RBI's Rao stresses on customer protection in NBFC sector

The Hindu Bureau
MUMBAI

There could be lesser importance given to compliance due to lighter regulations in the past

Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Executive Director R. Lakshmi Kanth Rao on Friday stressed the importance of compliance and customer protection in the non-banking financial company (NBFC) sector.

"NBFCs are a critical part of the financial system, contributing to diversification and innovation. However, their growing size necessitates a shift from pure activity-based regulation to a framework that considers both activity and scale to effectively manage risk," he said, addressing the Assocham 10th National Summit on NBFCs & Infrastructure Financing in Mumbai.

"There could be lesser importance given to compliance due to lighter regulations in the past.

However, with increased scale, NBFCs are required to meet stricter compliance requirements," he added.

MARKETS

MARKET WATCH

	FRIDAY	% CHANGE
Sensex	77,210	-0.35
US Dollar	83.57	0.04
Gold	73,350	1.10
Brent oil	85.61	0.29

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	PRICE	CHANGE
Adani Enter	3189.30	-70.15
Adani Ports	1485.50	16.10
Apollo Hosp	6170.00	-5.85
Asian Paints	2890.85	-24.65
Axis Bank	1237.45	-2.05
Bajaj Auto	9602.25	-29.75
Bajaj Finserv	1578.90	-7.10
Bajaj Finance	7134.25	-72.85
Bharti Airtel	1416.05	34.90
BPCL	307.60	-5.53
Britannia Ind	5330.30	-48.15
Cipla	1541.55	-3.30
Coal India	480.20	-2.95
Divis Lab	4522.15	18.10
Dr Reddys Lab	6011.45	40.65
Eicher Motors	4845.50	-31.40
Grasim Ind	2466.15	-32.65
HCL Tech	1447.85	4.40
HDFC Bank	1665.75	-3.60
HDFC Life	580.95	-9.15
Hero MotoCorp	5452.00	-52.60
Hindalco	684.50	8.00
Hind Unilever	2441.30	-40.90
ICICI Bank	1158.65	1.85
IndusInd Bank	1527.15	-0.70
Infosys	1532.70	17.30
ITC	419.60	-3.70
JSW Steel	936.90	7.25
Kotak Bank	1775.65	9.40
L&T	3535.00	-59.45
LTIMindtree Ltd.	5125.45	73.00
M&M	2839.95	-31.25
Maruti Suzuki	12201.50	52.00
NestleIndia	2498.40	-41.35
NTPC	359.80	2.15
ONGC	269.65	-2.20
PowerGrid Corp	325.95	1.40
Reliance Ind	2908.40	-39.00
SBI Life	1464.15	8.65
State Bank	836.30	-7.45
Shriram Finance Ltd.	2821.65	16.45
Sun Pharma	1467.25	-3.75
TataConsumerProduct	1084.90	-18.35
Tata Motors	961.80	-16.45
Tata Steel	179.94	-2.34
TCS	3810.75	23.50
Tech Mahindra	1399.80	6.70
Titan	3399.75	-36.20
UltraTech Cement	10662.40	-240.80
Wipro	490.55	0.15

EXCHANGE RATES

Indicative direct rates in rupees a unit except yen at 4 p.m. on June 21

CURRENCY	TT BUY	TT SELL
US Dollar	83.33	83.65
Euro	89.02	89.36
British Pound	105.33	105.74
Japanese Yen (100)	52.42	52.62
Chinese Yuan	11.48	11.52
Swiss Franc	93.38	93.75
Singapore Dollar	61.51	61.75
Canadian Dollar	60.84	61.08
Malaysian Ringitt	17.68	17.76
Australian Dollar	55.42	55.64

Source:Indian Bank

Centre unveils 10th tranche of commercial coal mine auction

The Hindu Bureau
HYDERABAD

Fully explored and partially explored, as well as three coking coal mines figure in the list

The Union Coal Ministry on Friday unveiled the 10th tranche of commercial coal mine auction.

As many as 67 coal mines, including a few that were offered under previous rounds across Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, West Bengal and Telangana, will be auctioned. Fully explored and partially explored as well as three coking coal mines figure in the list.

Union Minister of Coal and Mines G. Kishan Reddy and senior officials of the Coal Ministry said here that the auction would be conducted online through a transparent two stage process, based on percentage revenue share.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi had unveiled the first round in 2020. In the nine rounds, a total of 107 coal mines had been successfully auctioned and involved an investment of ₹38,400 crore, the Minister said, adding that the initiative was aimed at reducing the dependency on coal imports.

'Maruti Suzuki to scout for all technologies to make entire fleet hybrid'

Mini Tejaswi
BENGALURU

Maruti Suzuki India said it will explore all technologies to cover its entire fleet under hybridisation, which comprises electrification and alternative fuel options.

Partho Banerjee, Senior Executive Officer, Marketing & Sales, told *The Hindu* that these technologies would include a wide range of pure electric and alternative fuel combos comprising battery EVs, strong hybrids, strong biofuels like ethanol, or even be CNG-based.

The company would also explore another bio-fuel called compressed biogas within CNG, he added.

According to Mr. Banerjee, hybrid is such a powerful technology that it improves energy efficiency and reduces Co2 consumption at least by about 30% with the help of a lithium-ion battery and a motor.

"The other advantage of hybrid is that it offers high torque, fuel efficiency, and peppiness at the same time," he said, adding, "The biggest advantage is you don't need charging. it's like a self-charging machine. So we already have the Grand Vitara and Invicto, and the market and people who have driven them swear by them."

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Office of the Chief Engineer Water Resources(North) Hanumangarh
Notice Inviting Bid
(NIB Code-WRN2425A0012)

Bids for 06 Nos of packages estimated cost from Rs 21.74 Crore to 59.88 Crore involving Rehabilitation of different reaches of various canals of sub-project, Tehsil Nohar & Bhadra District - Hanumangarh are invited from prospective bidders up to 17.07.2024 at 6.00 PM. Other particulars of the bids may be visited on the procurement portal http://www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in, of the state and www.water.rajasthan.gov.in departmental website.

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Chief Engineer
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No.JIP/Admn.4(FW)/1(12)/2024 — Date: 22.06.2024

Applications are invited from Citizens of India and Overseas Citizens of India for the post of **Director, Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education & Research (JIPMER) on or before August 12, 2024 by 4:30 PM.** The eligibility criteria are as follows:

1. **ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS:**
a) A high postgraduate qualification in Medicine or Surgery or Public Health and their branches.
b) Teaching and, or research experience of not less than ten years.
c) Twenty-five years standing in the profession.
d) Extensive practical and administrative experience in the field of medical relief, medical research, medical education or public health organization and adequate experience of running an important scientific educational institution either as its Head or Head of a Department.
2. **PAY LEVEL & ALLOWANCES:**
a) Level-17 as per 7th CPC [₹2,25,000 (fixed) plus non-practicing allowance of 20% of basic pay; Pay plus NPA does not exceed ₹2,37,500].
b) Residential accommodation will be provided in the Institute's campus on payment of license fee at standard rate under F.R. 45 or 10% of pay, whichever is less.
c) Other allowances as admissible.
3. **UPPER AGE LIMIT:** Not exceeding sixty years. Relaxable for government servants or retired government servants or serving or retired persons from autonomous institutions or statutory institutions of state or central government or exceptionally qualified candidates.
4. **TENURE:** The appointment of Director shall be a tenure appointment for a period of five years from the date on which the official enters upon the office (or) till the official attains the age of sixty-five years, whichever is earlier.
5. **PROBATION:** One year
6. **MAILING ADDRESS:** Eligible candidates may apply in the prescribed proforma along with self-attested photocopies of all relevant certificates and documents to the address below through Registered/Speed Post, in an envelope super-scribed as
"Application for the post of Director, JIPMER"
Deputy Director (Admn.)
First Floor, Administrative Block, JIPMER
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7. **OTHER INFORMATIONS:**
a) Government servants in service may be appointed on deputation/ foreign service basis up to a period of five years.
b) Retired government servants can be considered.
c) Employees of the Institute including Director are not government servants.
d) Other terms and conditions will be governed by the relevant rules and orders that are in force and amended from time to time.

General conditions
1. The last date of receipt of application in the prescribed proforma along with copies of self-attested certificates and documents is **on or before August 12, 2024 by 4:30 PM.**
2. Applicant must submit self-attested copies of certificates with regard to **proof of age, educational qualifications, experience etc.**
3. Applicant must **forward the application** in the prescribed proforma along with the following documents **through proper channel** (wherever applicable):
a) A certificate to the effect that the present employer/parent organization has **"No Objection"** to his/her applying for the post of Director, JIPMER so that, in case of selection, he/she will be relieved by the present employer/parent organization to join the post of Director, JIPMER.
b) **APARs** of the applicant for the **last five years.** If any of the APARs is not available, then the APAR of the preceding year(s) must be submitted so that five APARs of the applicant are available.
c) A **certificate of Vigilance Clearance** in respect of applicant duly signed by a competent authority.
4. Age, qualification and experience will be computed as on the closing date for applications.
5. Late and incomplete application will not be considered.
6. Canvassing of any kind will be a disqualification.
7. The prescribed proforma to apply for the post of Director, JIPMER is available on the institute's website https://jipmer.edu.in/ announcement/jobs

Note:
1. Applicant who had applied previously in response to the advertisement issued in June 2023, in case wishes to apply again, he/she must apply afresh in the prescribed proforma with all relevant documents/certificates.
2. In case of any discrepancy between the English and the Hindi versions of advertisement or the application form, English version shall prevail.

Deputy Director (Admn.), JIPMER

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No: F/Engg/Empanelment/RHA/2024-25/4347 — Date: 19.06.2024

INVITATION FOR EMPANELMENT
(NIT No. 03/2024-25)

Bids for Empanelment for the work **A. Sculpturor, Painters and Artists** are invited from interested bidders up to 5.00 pm on 09.07.2024. Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal (**http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.raj.nic.in**) of the state. The approximate value of the procurement is Rs. 4.90 crore. **UBN : HPP2425SLOB00003**

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Tender Enquiry No. 320/HPs/ED-I/S-422 — **Dated: 20/06/2024**

Dy. CE/Hydel Projects, PSPCL, Shed A-3, Shakti Vihar, PSPCL, Patiala invites E-Tender for Design, Engineering, Manufacturing, Supply, Erection, Testing & Commissioning at site of Hydraulic Butterfly Penstock Protection Valve along with associated equipment and dismantling of existing old Butterfly Valve installed at penstock for 50MW Unit of Shanan Power House, PSPCL, Joginder Nagar, Distt- Mandi(HP).

For detailed NIT & Tender specification, please refer to **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in** from onwards.

Note: Corrigendum and addendum, if any, will be published online at **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in**

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INVITATION OF TENDER

#	Name of the work	Estimated cost Put to tender value (Amount in INR)	Cost of Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (Amount in INR)	Online Tender opening date
1.	Rectification of damage in compound wall at Port Guest House during the flood in VOC Port	4,01,700	8,035	28.06.2024
2.	Renovation of existing lawn at Port Guest House	13,63,159	27,263	03.07.2024
3.	Cleaning the garbages around Administrative office area, by sweeping, collection, conveyance and disposal for a period of Two years (2024-2026) in V.O.C Port	1,13,64,120	2,27,285	03.07.2024
4.	Repairing of Warehouse No: 1-15 near World Trade Avenue at VOCPA	3,76,90,644	7,54,000	03.07.2024

Note:
For eligible tenderers, downloading of bid documents from the NIC e-tendering website:
i) **https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app**
ii) **https://www.vocport.gov.in**

Sd/- 20.06.2024
CHIEF ENGINEER
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WASHINGTON

U.S. Supreme Court upholds ban on domestic abusers owning guns

REUTERS

The U.S. Supreme Court on Friday upheld a federal law prohibiting a person subject to a domestic violence restraining order from possessing a firearm. The case was the first involving gun rights to come before the court, where conservatives hold a 6-3 majority, since a major ruling it issued last year loosening curbs on guns. AFP

ISLAMABAD

Former Pakistan Prime Minister Abbasi launches political party

AP

Former Pakistan Prime Minister Shahid Khaqan Abbasi on Friday formed a new political party named Awaam Pakistan after parting ways with the ruling PML-N. Mr. Abbasi, who was Prime Minister from August 2017 to May 2018, was joined by former Finance Minister Miftah Ismail who also parted ways with the PML-N. PTI

BEIJING

Heavy rainfall in China leads to flood, mudslides, killing 47 people

REUTERS

At least 47 people have died as downpours in southern China's Guangdong province caused historic flooding and mudslides, while authorities warned of more extreme weather ahead in other parts of the country. The heaviest rains were on Sunday, with an average rainfall of 199 mm, and one town seeing 365.7 mm. AP

WINDHOEK

Namibian court strikes down law criminalising same-sex relations

REUTERS

A top Namibian court on Friday struck down colonial-era laws criminalising same-sex relationships in a "historic" verdict. The high court in the capital, Windhoek, declared the crimes of "sodomy" and "unnatural sexual offences" as "unconstitutional and invalid" in its ruling on the case brought by a local LGBTQ activist. AFP

South Korea summons Russian Ambassador

Associated Press
SEOUL

South Korea summoned the Russian Ambassador to protest the country's new defence pact with North Korea on Friday, as border tensions continued to rise with vague threats and brief, seemingly accidental incursions by North Korean troops.

Earlier on Friday, the powerful sister of North Korean leader Kim Jong-un issued a vague threat of retaliation after South Korean activists flew balloons carrying anti-Pyongyang propaganda leaflets across the border, and South Korea's military said it had fired warning shots the previous day to repel North Korean soldiers who briefly crossed the rivals' land border.

That came two days after Moscow and Pyongyang reached a pact vowing mutual defence assistance if either is attacked, and a day after Seoul responded by saying it would consider providing arms to Ukraine to fight Russia's invasion.

South Korean Vice Foreign Minister Kim Hong Kyun summoned Russian Ambassador Georgy Zinoviev to protest the deal and called for Moscow to immediately halt its alleged military cooperation with Pyongyang.

Mr. Kim, the South Korean diplomat, stressed that any cooperation that helps the North build up its military capabilities would violate UN Security Council resolutions and pose a threat to the South's security, and warned of consequences for Seoul's relations with Moscow.

Armenia becomes the latest nation to recognise Palestine

With the move, Yerevan joins the ranks of Spain, Ireland, and Norway who officially recognised Palestine last month; the former Soviet republic also condemns Hamas's kidnapping of civilians

Agence France-Presse
YEREVAN

Armenia announced on Friday it was recognising the State of Palestine, the latest country to do so during the war in Gaza, saying it was against "violence towards civilian populations."

A series of nations have recognised the State of Palestine amid the war between Israel and Hamas, drawing strong rebukes from Israeli officials.

Envoy summoned

Shortly after the former Soviet republic announced the recognition, Israel's Foreign Ministry said it summoned Yerevan's Ambassador for a "severe reprimand".

Sorry state: Armenia also criticised Israel's military conduct in Gaza where more than 37,000 people have been killed. REUTERS

Yerevan noted it is "genuinely interested in establishing long-term peace and stability in the Middle East [West Asia]."

"Confirming its commitment to international law, equality of nations, sovereignty and peaceful coexistence, the Republic of Armenia recognises the State of Palestine," Armenia added. Yerevan, which has itself been ridden by conflict with neighbouring Azerbaijan for decades, slammed Israel's military conduct in Gaza.

Call for freedom

It also criticised Hamas for "the captivity of civilian persons" and said Armenia "joins the demands of international community on freeing them."

In late May, Spain, Ireland, and Norway officially recognised the State of Palestine, stating they saw the move as a step towards peace in the region.

Israeli authorities accused the European trio of "rewarding terrorism" with their actions.

Hinduja family members get jail term for exploiting staff

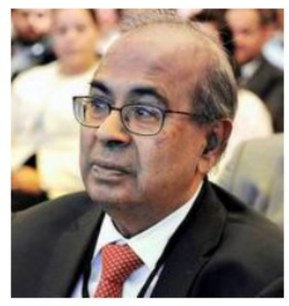
Agence France-Presse
GENEVA

A Swiss court handed jail sentences to four members of Britain's richest family on Friday for exploiting Indian staff at their Geneva mansion.

The Hindujas – who were not present in court – were acquitted of human trafficking, but convicted on other charges in a stunning verdict for the family whose fortune is estimated at 37 billion pounds ($47 billion).

Prakash Hinduja and his wife Kamal Hinduja each got four years and six months, while their son Ajay and his wife Namrata received four-year terms, the presiding judge in Geneva ruled.

The cases stem from the family's practice of bringing servants from their native India and included accusations of confiscating their passports once they were flown to Switzerland.



Prakash Hinduja

Prosecutors argued the Hindujas paid their staff a pittance and gave them little freedom to leave the house. The family denied the allegations, claiming the prosecutors wanted to "do in the Hindujas".

The Hindujas reached a confidential out-of-court settlement with the three employees who made the accusations against them. Despite this, the prosecution decided to pursue the case due to the gravity of the charges.

Geneva prosecutor Yves Bertossa had requested a custodial sentence of five-and-a-half years against Prakash and Kamal Hinduja.

Aged 78 and 75 respectively, both had been absent since the start of the trial for health reasons.

In his closing address, the prosecutor accused the family of abusing the "asymmetrical situation" between powerful employer and vulnerable employee to save money.

But the Hinduja family's defence lawyers argued that the three plaintiffs received ample benefits, were not kept in isolation and were free to leave the villa.

Hong Kong charges two under the new national security law

Agence France-Presse
HONG KONG

Hong Kong has charged two persons in the span of a week with "sedition" over social media posts and clothing slogans, under a new national security law.

The city passed a homegrown security law in March, commonly known as Article 23, which the United States and Britain have criticised for curbing rights.

The legislation is Hong Kong's second national security law and follows the one imposed by Beijing in 2020 after huge, sometimes violent pro-democracy protests a year earlier.

On Friday, authorities charged Au Kin-wai, 58, with publishing "seditious" posts on social media platforms such as Facebook, YouTube and X.

Authorities separately charged Chu Kai-pong on June 14 with sedition, saying the 27-year-old wore a t-shirt calling for Hong Kong's "liberation" and a mask with a design suggestive of a protest slogan, local media reported.

Mob kills tourist in Pakistan for 'desecrating' the Koran

Press Trust of India
PESHAWAR

The man was gunned down, dragged through the town of Swat and hanged in public view

An enraged mob in the picturesque Pakistani town of Swat has gunned down a tourist, dragged him through the town and later hanged him in full public view for allegedly committing desecration of the Koran.

The incident happened on Thursday night when Muhammad Ismail, a resident of Sialkot in Punjab province, was visiting the northwestern Pakistan hill resort town of Swat and was accused of having burnt the pages of Islam's holy book in Madyan tehsil of Swat district in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province.

District Police Officer (DPO), Swat, Zahidullah said that initially the police had taken Ismail in custody and locked him up in the police station when the alleged desecration incident was reported.

However, the incident was announced from mosques through loudspeakers in the market, prompting thousands of people to gather outside the police station.

Soon after, the angry mob demanded that the police hand over the suspect to them. On refusal, a fierce exchange of fire took place between the local people and the police in which eight persons were injured.

After that the mob torched the police station, forcing the cops on duty to flee for their lives.

Chief Minister of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has sought a report from the police.

Russia fires Deputy Defence Minister jailed for corruption

Associated Press

Russian authorities have formally dismissed a Deputy Defence Minister jailed on bribery charges and accused by Kremlin critics of living a lavish lifestyle, Russian media reported on Thursday. A court ordered that his pretrial detention be extended for three more months.

Timur Ivanov, 48, is one of several senior military officers arrested on corruption charges in recent months. He was a close associate of Sergei Shoigu, whom President Vladimir Putin replaced as Defence Minister last month.

Ivanov, arrested in April, was charged with taking an especially large bribe. His lawyers said he maintains his innocence.

Other officials arrested in recent months include deputy chief of military general staff Lt. Gen. Vadim Shamarin; Gen. Ivan Popov, a former top commander in Russia's offensive in Ukraine; and Lt. Gen. Yury Kuznetsov, head of the Defense Ministry's personnel directorate.

Sport

Exquisite Spain too good for Italy as it advances into the pre-quarters

UEFA EURO2024 GERMANY

Associated Press
GELSENKIRCHEN

Europe beware – Spain might just be back.

The three-time European champion advanced to the round of 16 at Euro 2024 after a 1-0 win against holder Italy on Thursday.

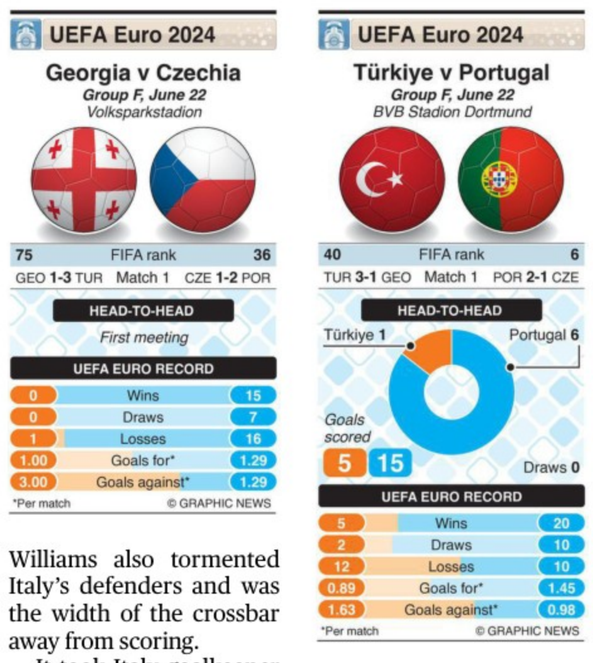
A 55th-minute own goal by Riccardo Calafiori settled the Group B game at the Veltins Arena. But that didn't begin to tell the story of a statement performance from Spain, which surely marks it as one of the favourites to win a record-extending fourth European Championship.

Unlucky: For all of Spain's dominance it took an own-goal from Italian defender Calafiori to secure the win. AFP

"I think it was the best Spain performance I have taken charge of," coach Luis de la Fuente said. Spain totally dominated defending champion Italy, with 16-year-old winger Lamine Yamal further enhancing his reputation as one of soccer's most exciting young stars.

Player of the match Nico Williams also tormented Italy's defenders and was the width of the crossbar away from scoring.

It took Italy goalkeeper Gianluigi Donnarumma to keep the score down with a string of fine saves until inadvertently pushing the ball into the legs of Calafiori, who couldn't prevent it from ricocheting into his own goal.



On Friday, Austria claimed a convincing 3-1 win over Poland in Berlin to take a step towards the knock-out rounds.

Robert Lewandowski returned from a thigh injury as a substitute for Poland, now on the brink of elimination from Group D after two defeats, but could not help his team make inroads against Ralf Rangnick's sturdy side.

Poland striker Krzysztof Piatek levelled Gernot Trauner's opener, but Christoph Baumgartner and Marko Arnautovic's second-half goals earned Austria three vital points.

Earlier in the day, Ukraine came from behind to beat Slovakia 2-1 to move second in Group E.

The results:
Group B: Spain 1 (Calafiori 55-og) bt Italy 0.
Group D: Poland 1 (Piatek) lost to Austria 3 (Trauner 9, Baumgartner 66, Arnautovic 78-pen).
Group E: Slovakia 1 (Schranz 17) lost to Ukraine 2 (Shaparenko 54, Yaremchuk 80).

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Suryakumar changed the tempo of the game: Afghanistan's Rashid

K.R. DEEPAK

Suryakumar Yadav's brilliant knock turned the game in India's favour, Afghanistan spinner Rashid Khan said. "We started well with the ball, but in the middle, Suryakumar changed the tempo of the game. He played his shots. That is what makes him unique and great," Rashid said.

DIFFERENT LEVEL

Bumrah gets his execution perfect, hails Kumble

K.R. DEEPAK

Anil Kumble hailed Jasprit Bumrah on his brilliant performance against Afghanistan. "He gets the execution perfect. You know, that's what it is. For each batter, he would have figured that out and then did it right in a big game. This doesn't come easy," Kumble told *ESPNCricinfo.*

HORSES FOR COURSES

Hat-trick hero Cummins says the bowling line-up has to adapt

GETTY IMAGES

Pat Cummins admits that even taking the first hat-trick of the T20 World Cup may not save him from the axe when Australia faces Afghanistan. "Yes, potentially. We've been pretty open with that, that anyone in the squad's ready to play and the bowling line-up might change at different times," said Cummins.

FALLING SHORT

Should have made at least 170, feels Bangladesh skipper Shanto

AFP

Bangladesh captain Najmul Hossain Shanto said his side should have scored at least 170 runs in the Super 8 encounter against Australia. "The wicket was good, a bit slow, but we should have made at least 170. Playing against this team, we should have gambled," Shanto said.

High-flying India takes on struggling Bangladesh

A win against Shanto's men, who are coming off a loss, will go a long way in clinching a semifinal spot for the Men in Blue; Rohit, Kohli will be keen on providing a strong start with the bat

Lot to cherish: Rohit's men had almost everything going in their favour in the match against Afghanistan. K.R. DEEPAK

T20 WORLD CUP

Press Trust of India
NORTH SOUND (ANTIGUA)

An undefeated India takes on a faltering Bangladesh, both teams desperately hoping for their batting stars to strike form in a Super 8 clash of the T20 World Cup, here on Saturday.

The Men in Blue produced a clinical performance against Afghanistan. With only a travel day separating their remaining two games, they would be hoping that the players who have not performed as per expectations so far, deliver the goods.

Top of that list would be the opening pair of Virat Kohli and Rohit Sharma. They have made a conscious effort to force the pace but have ended with minimal returns.

Another under-pressure team member is left-hander Shivam Dube, who was picked in the squad to hammer sixes in the middle and death overs.

On the bowling front, India is expected to retain the combination having given the first opportunity of the tournament to crafty left-arm spinner Kuldeep Yadav.

India's sole aim in the Caribbean is to win the trophy and a solid performance against Bangladesh will be another step forward in that context.

Bangladesh finds itself in a must-win situation after the loss to Australia. The lack of power-hitters is hurting the side and there is no quick fix to that problem.

The under-performance of opener Litton Das and Tanzid Khan has also compounded Bangladesh's woes.

The side will need to find a way to tackle Jasprit Bumrah, who has been sensational thus far, taking eight wickets at an unparalleled economy rate of 3.46.

The pacers, led by Mustafizur Rahman, have done alright but leg-spinner Rishad Hossain needs more support in the spin department.

Today's matches

USA vs West Indies
Barbados, 6.00 a.m.
HEAD-TO-HEAD T20Is
First Meeting

India vs Bangladesh
Antigua, 8.00 p.m.
HEAD-TO-HEAD T20Is
Played: 13
India 12 | Bangladesh 1

Having three left-arm spinners is an advantage on the wickets here: Axar

Ashwin Achal
BRIDGETOWN (BARBADOS)

The Indian bowling attack in the Super 8 fixture against Afghanistan here on Thursday was unique. It is not too often you see three left-arm spinners in the eleven.

Kuldeep Yadav offers variety as a wrist spinner, while Axar Patel and Ravindra Jadeja come on with a stifling line and length. Axar, in particular, is adept at changing it up according to the match situation. Leg-spinner Yuzvendra Chahal is waiting in the wings.

The trio formed an effective combination on a slow, dry Kensington Oval pitch. Kuldeep, playing his first match of the tournament, took two wickets. Axar (1/15 in 3 overs) and Jadeja gave nothing away and applied the choke on the Afghan chase.

Active communication

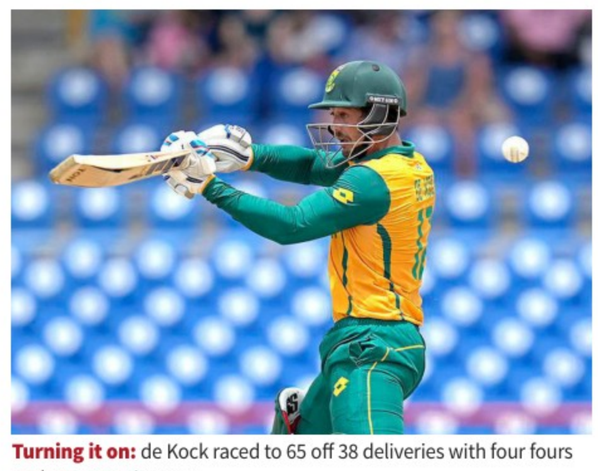
Axar believes that active communication makes for a good partnership. "Having three left-arm spinners is an advantage on the wickets here. Our combination is very good. We communicate well. For example, whoever comes on to bowl first will communicate to the others on what is working and what is not. This is important when you bowl as a unit," Axar said at the press conference after India eased past Afghanistan by 47 runs.

Being versatile to satisfy the needs of the team is crucial, Axar added. "I can bowl in the PowerPlay, middle or towards the end. I can be called by the captain in any situation. If I feel that I need to attack, then I plan accordingly. In the Pakistan match, when I came to bowl the 16th over, I felt that if I give less runs it will be very good for the team," said Axar.

Axar described pace spearhead Jasprit Bumrah as a "world class bowler", and that the quality of the Indian attack can "get us out of a tough situation".

Left is right: India's spin trio of Jadeja, Kuldeep and Axar is expected to play a key role again. K.R. DEEPAK

Proteas prevail over England in nail-biter



Turning it on: de Kock raced to 65 off 38 deliveries with four fours and as many sixes. PTI

Ayan Acharya
GROS ISLET (ST. LUCIA)

In a thrilling T20 World Cup Super 8 match at the Daren Sammy ground here on Friday, England fell agonisingly short against South Africa, losing by seven runs. Chasing 164, Jos Buttler's men were in deep trouble at 63 for four in 11 overs. However, Harry Brook and Liam Livingstone ignited hopes, smashing 52 in three overs at one stage.

The turning point came in the 17th over when Ottniel Baartman's full tosses allowed Livingstone to smash three consecutive boundaries. But, with 25 needed off 18 balls, Kagiso Rabada dismissed Livingstone for 33 off 17 in an over that cost just four runs. Marco Jansen's tight penultimate over followed, leaving England needing 14 off the final six.

Brook, having reached his first T20 World Cup fifty, went for a boundary shot off Anrich Nortje, but Aiden Markram's stunning catch at mid-off dented England's hopes. The final over went for just six runs, extending South Africa's unbeaten run in the tournament. Keshav Maharaj's masterful two for 25 on a slow pitch set the stage.

England must now secure a big win against the USA and hope that the Net Run Rate (NRR) works in its favour in case the West Indies prevails in its remaining matches.

Earlier, Reece Topley and Moeen Ali sought to leverage their favourable match-ups against Quinton de Kock (65 off 38 balls). de Kock first broke free against Moeen with consecutive boundaries before hitting Jofra Archer for three sixes in a 21-run over.

Archer made amends, giving away just eight in his final over and taking two wickets. England's spin duo of Adil Rashid and Moeen Ali excelled, maintaining an economy rate of 6.42. Buttler shone with the big gloves, jumping high to take a one-handed catch to send back de Kock and making a direct hit to run out Heinrich Klaasen. David Miller's 43 off 28 helped South Africa post a total that proved just enough.

The scores: South Africa 163/6 in 20 overs (de Kock 65, Miller 43, Archer 3/40) bt England 156/6 in 20 overs (Brook 53, Livingstone 33, Rabada 2/32, Maharaj 2/25); **Toss:** England; **PoM:** de Kock.

Cummins' 'trick and Zampa's artistry win it for Australia

Press Trust of India
NORTH SOUND (ANTIGUA)

Premier pacer Pat Cummins grabbed the tournament's first hat-trick and spinner Adam Zampa showcased his artistry to fashion Australia's 28-run win over Bangladesh via the Duckworth Lewis method in its Super 8 fixture of the T20 World Cup.

If Zampa (two for 24) operated with precision in the middle overs, Cummins (three for 29) claimed three wickets off successive balls at the back end, as Australia restricted Bangladesh to 140 for eight after Mitchell Marsh opted to bowl first in the rain-interrupted game.

Australia was in a hurry to finish the game with openers David Warner and Travis Head going hammer and tongs from the very first ball.

On fire: Cummins' three-in-three — the edition's first — helped Australia restrict Bangladesh to 140. GETTY IMAGES

The pair raced to 60/0 before rain interrupted play. Once play resumed, the Aussies lost a bit of momentum as Rishad Hossain removed Head and Marsh in quick succession.

Despite the twin blow, Australia never looked in trouble. When rain stopped play again, Australia was 28 runs ahead of the DLS par score.

The scores: Bangladesh 140/8 in 20 overs (Shanto 41, Hridoy 40, Cummins 3/29, Zampa 2/24) lost to Australia 100/2 in 11.2 overs (Warner 53 n.o., Head 31, Hossain 2/23) by DLS method; **Toss:** Australia; **PoM:** Cummins.

Bangladesh could be another warm-up for India

Sunil Gavaskar

The easy win over Afghanistan in the first game of the Super Eight stage would have boosted the Indian team's morale even more. They were unbeaten in the American stage of the league – that too on pitches about which the less said the better. Then, when they would have looked to get some good match time in their last group game in Miami against Canada, the wet outfield put paid to those plans too as the game was washed off.

Therefore, the match against Afghanistan became a bit more crucial as it would not give the players the time to ease into the Super Eight stage of the tournament.

The next game against Bangladesh could well be another warm-up for the Indians. Mind you, in recent times, the clashes between the junior teams of the two countries have been pretty spicy with loads of aggro between the players. It's not necessarily the same as the senior players like Shakib, Mustafizur play in the Indian Premier League and so know the Indian players well and have a very good equation with them.

They have had an up and down tournament so far, but the Super Eight stage gives the players a fresh start and a new page to write on.

Indias batters, especially the openers, Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli, will look to get more runs and time out in the middle before the clash against Australia.

Pant played a lovely cameo against Afghanistan and is looking dangerous with every outing. Suryakumar was simply SKY as he batted as only he can and even toyed with Rashid Khan, who bowled so well to the other Indian batters.

Then it was Boom Boom Bumrah who tied up the Afghan top-order with his extraordinary skill and reading of the batters' mind. There is no one remotely close to the Indian pacer in the way he sets batters up and sends them back to the change room. The spinners bowled well too and didn't allow the Afghan batters any leeway.

A win against Bangladesh will assure India a place in the semis and also give them more confidence to take on the impressive Aussies to see who finishes top of the table.

(Professional Management Group)

INBRIEF

Poonawalla's car wins 'Best In Show' at Valletta Concours

Yohan Poonawalla's 1928 boat-tailed Rolls-Royce Experimental Sports Phantom '17EX' won the prestigious 'Best in Show' Award at the Valletta Concours, held in Valletta, Malta, earlier this month. This unique vehicle was developed under the supervision of Sir Henry Royce as a prototype sports car designed to reach speeds of 100 mph. "I am thrilled to see 17EX win the top prize today in its first outing with me, and the win is even sweeter coming in this milestone anniversary year as Rolls-Royce celebrates 120 years," said Yohan.

India to tour South Africa in November for T20 series

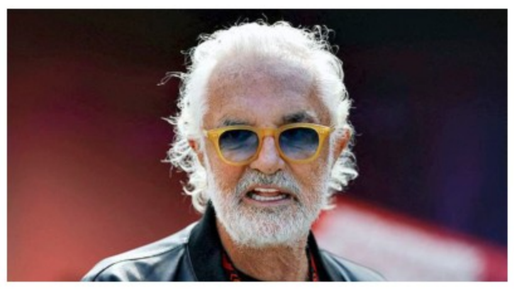
India will tour South Africa for a short four-match T20I series in November this year, CSA and the BCCI announced in a joint statement on Friday. As per the itinerary released by CSA, the series will begin on November 8 at the Hollywoodbets Kingsmead Stadium in Durban, followed by matches in Gqeberha on November 10, Centurion on December 13 and Johannesburg on November 15.

Odisha government extends hockey sponsorship till 2036

The new government in Odisha has decided to continue the State's sponsorship of the Indian hockey team, extending it on Friday by three years till 2036 with Odisha chief minister Mohan Charan Mohan Majhi announcing the same as part of the state's Vision Odisha: 2036. "In 2036, Odisha will complete 100 years of formation. The year will also see a probability of Gujarat hosting the Olympics. Odisha's role in the rise of hockey has been instrumental and this extension of sponsorship could prove to be a game changer for the state in sports," Majhi said after meeting Hockey India president Dilip Tirkey and other officials. The meeting was attended by, among others, HI secretary-general Bhola Nath Singh, Odisha Sports Minister Suryabanshi Suraj, chief secretary Pradeep Kumar Jena and commissioner-cum-secretary R. Vineel Krishna. "We had a productive meeting with the Hon'ble CM. We are thankful to the Odisha Government for their support and commitment to Indian hockey. As an Odia and a former hockey player, I am immensely proud. Odisha has set another remarkable example for the nation," Tirkey said.

Jayesh Rane signs one-year contract with Mumbai City FC

Midfielder Jayesh Rane on Friday signed a one-year contract with Indian Super League Cup winners Mumbai City FC for the upcoming season on free transfer after his contract ended with the Bengaluru FC. Rane is the only player in ISL history to have won the trophy with three different teams.



Flavio Briatore returns to F1 as advisor to Alpine

Flavio Briatore will return to Formula One in an advisory role for Alpine, the team, owned by French carmaker Renault, said on Friday. Alpine made the announcement at the Spanish Grand Prix. The Italian businessman will have an "executive advisor" role, the team said. Briatore, 74, was the team principal at Benetton and Renault, the previous iterations of Alpine, in the 1990s and 2000s. Under his leadership, Michael Schumacher won championships in 1994 and 1995 for Benetton while Fernando Alonso won the 2004 and 2005 titles under Renault.

LIVE TELECAST

Football: Euro 2024: Sony Sports Ten 2, 3, 5 & Hotstar, 6.30, 9.30 p.m. & 12.30 a.m. (Sunday).

Formula One: Spanish GP, (qualifying), F1 TV, F1 TV Pro App & FanCode, 7.30 p.m.

Hockey: Pro League, Sports 18-1 & JioCinema, 7.30 p.m.

T20 World Cup: Star Sports 1 & Hotstar, 8 p.m. & 6 a.m. (Sunday)

Messi pulls the strings in Argentina's win over Canada

Julian Alvarez and susbtitute Lautaro Martinez get on the scoresheet for the defending champion; poor playing surface invites all-round criticism

COPA AMERICA

Associated Press
ATLANTA

Lionel Messi's passing brilliance got Argentina off to a winning start in the defence of its Copa America title, overcoming Canada and a poor playing surface at the Mercedes-Benz Stadium here.

Messi's through ball led to Julian Alvarez's 49th-minute goal and the eight-time Ballon d'Or winner assisted on Lautaro Martinez's 88th-minute score in a 2-0 victory on Thursday night.

Argentina is seeking its third straight major title after winning the 2021 Copa America and the 2022 World Cup. Held scoreless in the first half, Argentina outshot Canada 12-3 in the second.

Albiceleste coach Lionel Scaloni and goalkeeper Emiliano Martinez both criticised the surface.

Creator and finisher: Messi's through ball set it up nicely for Alvarez to score Argentina's opening goal. AFP

"The field was a disaster," Martínez said.

"It seems like a springboard with the ball jumping. They need to improve this. If not, Copa America will always be at lower level than the Euro."

Grass was installed after a Major League Soccer game on Saturday played on the usual artificial turf.

Canadian defender Kamal Miller also was critical.

"It felt like walking on a stage, as if it was hollow," he said.

Messi set a Copa America record with his 35th match, one more than Chile's Sergio Livingstone from 1941-53.

Messi extended his own record with his 18th assist.

The result: Argentina 2 (Alvarez 49, Martinez 88) bt Canada 0.

Shreyasi gets green signal for Paris

SHOOTING

Sports Bureau
NEW DELHI

The National Rifle Association of India (NRAI) got the green signal from the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) to swap one of the women's pistol Olympic quota places for women's trap, and field Shreyasi Singh for the Paris Games.

With Manu Bhaker finishing on top in both women's air pistol and sports pistol, emerging as the only shooter to compete in two events, one of the air pistol quota places fell vacant.

While Esha Singh and Rhythm Sangwan gained entry for Olympics in sports pistol and air pistol events, swapping their position from the Olympic quota that they had won, Asian Games gold medallist Palak Gulia's quota in air pistol was swapped for women's trap.

The NRAI chose to seek a women's trap quota place, as all other women's events had already been filled with maximum possible two Olympic quota places. As per the rules, a country can swap one of the quota places with another event of the same gender, subject to availability of slots.

Shreyasi Singh. FILE PHOTO: AFP

The 32-year-old Shreyasi will be the second women's trap shooter behind Rajeshwari Kumari who had won the quota place.

Shreyasi had finished fifth in the Asian Championship in January, when the Olympic quota places were bagged by the gold and silver medallists from Taiwan and China.

With 21 shooters competing in 22 individual events, apart from five mixed events in rifle, pistol and skeet, Indian shooters have given themselves 27 chances for Olympic medals.

Stimac lashes out at 'power-hungry' officials

FOOTBALL

Amitabha Das Sharma
KOLKATA

Igor Stimac came down heavily on the football administrators in the country, calling them "power-hungry people who look after their own personal interests."

At an online interaction after his contract was terminated by the All India Football Federation following the Indian team's failure to reach the third round of the World Cup qualifiers, Stimac said that while football is growing across the globe, it is stagnating in India due to the inefficiency of those running the show.

"They don't have a clue about how to run the football house (AIFF headquarters) and they don't care. The only thing they care about is power, their own positions and how to put the blame on the others so that they stay as long as possible," said Stimac. He added that he will seek monetary compensation from the AIFF for the rest of his contract period (till June 2026).

Stimac launched a sharp attack on AIFF president Kalyan Chaubey, saying that the sooner he leaves his post, the better it will be for the future of Indian football. "The sooner Kalyan leaves the AIFF, the better it is for Indian football. The only way he knows to run football in the country is through how the social media thinks. It is a totally wrong approach and cannot happen with any serious institution," Stimac said.

Stimac. FILE PHOTO

The former coach also revealed that he received little support from the AIFF technical committee, chaired by the legendary I.M. Vijayan.

"Vijayan was a fantastic player but he should not be presiding over the technical committee," said Stimac.

The Croatian said that since the AIFF officials did not extend any cooperation, the job of coaching the Indian team became so stressful that he had to undergo a heart surgery before the Asian Cup campaign.

Dhiraj, Ankita stay in the hunt

ARCHERY

Sports Bureau

B. Dhiraj and Ankita Bhakat remained in the hunt for medals after reaching the men's and women's individual semifinals in the Archery World Cup Stage-3 in Antalya, Turkey, on Friday.

Dhiraj beat Bangladesh's Mohammed Sagor Islam 6-0, Indonesia's Riau Salsabilla 7-1, Colombia's Santiago Arango 6-4, Germany's Jonathon Vetter 7-3 to set up a semifinal clash with Korea's Kim Woojin.

Ankita got past Iran's Mobina Fallah 6-4, Ukraine's Veronika Marchenko 7-1, China's Li Jiaman 6-5 (shoot-off: 9-8) and Korea's Jeon Hunyoung 6-4. Ankita will face China's topranked Yang Xiaolei.

Deepika Kumari lost to Yang 6-5 (10-8) in the third round.

The Indian recurve mixed team, comprising Bhajan and Dhiraj, received a bye and defeated Great Britain 5-1 and Brazil 5-1 before being beaten 5-3 by Korea in the semifinals.

In the compound mixed team event, the No. 1 Indian duo of V. Jyothi Surekha and Priyansh got a bye and beat Estonia 158-156 before going down to Italy 156-154.

'Individuals need to be treated fairly in a team game'

CRICKET

Y.B. Sarangi
KOLKATA

Gautam Gambhir, the front-runner for the post of the Indian cricket team's next head coach, parried the question of him taking over from Rahul Dravid. He, however, underlined that individuals could not be the "be-all-and-end-all" in a team sport.

Gambhir, who mentored Kolkata Knight Riders to its third title triumph this season, said he was enjoying KKR's success.

"It is difficult to answer that (the coach question). Right now, I am in a happy space having just finished the journey with KKR," said Gambhir at the 'Rise to Leadership' event organised by the Indian Chamber of Commerce here.

Gambhir said individuals needed to be treated fairly in a team game. "The team is the most important thing and individuals can't be the be-all-and-end-all in a team. If you focus on two or three people, just imagine what will happen to the others.

"From the captain to the masseur, you cannot discriminate between people. You have to treat people equally. That's the most important culture and I will always have this philosophy," he said.

Living in the present: Gambhir says he's enjoying KKR's success right now and not looking into the future. FILE PHOTO: R.V. MOORTHY

Talking about white-ball cricket which is heavily tilted in favour of the batters, Gambhir said it was the job of the International Cricket Council (ICC) to see that all kinds of cricketers, including the finger spinners, received an equal chance.

About his rapport with KKR co-owner Shah Rukh Khan, Gambhir said, "I've the privilege of working with the best IPL owner.

"There has been no conversation of cricket with him in the eight years we've known each other."

Champions Way for feature event

BENGALURU: Champions Way, who has been well prepared, is expected to score in the Racing Patrons Trophy (1,200m), the feature event of the races to be held here on Saturday (June 22). False rails (width about 6m from 1,600m to the winning post) will be in position.

1 TRACK LIGHTNING PLATE (1,400m), maiden 3-y-o only, (Terms), 2-00 p.m.: 1. Amusing (6) Arshad 56, 2. Casteel (10) Suraj 56, 3. Channigaraya (7) G. Vivek 56, 4. Mandarino (2) Yash 56, 5. Mansa Musa (3) Trevor 56, 6. Westlake (5) Antony 56, 7. Balmoral (9) Akshay K 54.5, 8. Magnetic (1) Sandesh 54.5, 9. Nyx (8) S.J. Moulin 54.5 and 10. Royal Whisper (4) Salman K 54.5.

1. MANSA MUSA, 2. MAGNETIC, 3. NYX

2 QUASAR PLATE (DIV. II), (1,400m), rates 20 to 45, 4-y-o & over, 2-30: 1. Seventh Samurai (6) Antony 60, 2. Measure Of Time (3) Rayan 59, 3. Greeley (4) L.A. Rozario 56.5, 4. Vyasa (1) Akshay K 56, 5. Peridot (8) B.R. Kumar 55, 6. Lady Invictus (9) Tousif 54.5, 7. Domina (7) Ram Nandan 53.5, 8. Phoenix Surprise (2) P. Sai Kumar 53.5 and 9. Tropical Mist (5) Sai Kiran 53.

1. VYASA, 2. SEVENTH SAMURAI, 3. GREELEY

3 ICH DIEN PLATE (1,400m), rated 00 to 25, 3-00: 1. Quick Witted (1) Koshi K 62.5, 2. Mystical Air (3) Akshay K 61, 3. Lady Godiva (4) M. Chandrashekar 60.5, 4. Sunlit Path (11) B.R. Kumar 60.5, 5. Tankinika (7) Vivek 60, 6. Estefania (5) Antony 58.5, 7. Striking Eyes (2) G. Vivek 58, 8. My Visionary (10) Arvind K 57.5, 9. Amazing Luck (9) Saddam H 56.5, 10. Burning Arrow (6) Kiran Rai 56.5 and 11. Infinite Spirit (8) Vishal Bunde 54.5.

1. MYSTICAL AIR, 2. STRIKING EYES, 3. SUNLIT PATH

4 WELCOME TROPHY (1,200m), maiden 3-y-o only, (Terms), 3-30: 1. Ahead Of The Curve (10) M. Chandrashekar 56, 2. Feeling Good (9) Vivek 56, 3. Golden Light (12) Akshay K 56, 4. Puranjaya (7) Rayan 56, 5. Carat Love (6) Koshi K 54.5, 6. Crimson Flame (1) S.J. Moulin 54.5, 7. Flash (8) Vishal Bunde 54.5, 8. Havaska (3) Antony 54.5, 9. Mehra (4) Arvind K 54.5, 10. Star Of Night (5) Hindu S 54.5, 11. Super Bold (11) B.R. Kumar 54.5 and 12. Xaily (2) J. Chinoy 54.5.

1. GOLDEN LIGHT, 2. STAR OF NIGHT, 3. XAILY

5 RACING PATRONS TROPHY (1,200m), rated 80 & above, 4-00: 1. Siddharth (7) Akshay K 60, 2. Champions Way (3) Suraj 57.5, 3. Yukan (2) Trevor 55, 4. Shadow Of The Moon (1) Abhay S 54, 5. Baby Bazooka (6) Arshad 53.5, 6. Aldgate (4) Sandesh 53 and 7. Slainte (5) S.J. Moulin 53.

1. CHAMPIONS WAY, 2. SIDDHARTH, 3. ALDGATE

6 QUASAR PLATE (DIV. I), (1,400m), rates 20 to 45, 4-y-o & over, 4-30: 1. Victoria Doresaani (1) L.A. Rozario 62.5, 2. Own Legacy (4) Vishal Bunde 61.5, 3. August (2) Antony 61, 4. Southern Power (3) Salman K 60.5, 5. Queen Of Kyiv (7) Yash 59, 6. Sassy (6) Trevor 59, 7. Super Marvella (8) Shreyas S 59 and 8. My Vision (5) Arvind K 56.

1. VICTORIA DORESAANI, 2. SASSY, 3. AUGUST

7 AKHAL-TEKE PLATE (1,200m), rated 40 to 65, 5-00: 1. Czar (2) Antony 61, 2. Macron (1) Darshan 57.5, 3. Roman Spirit (6) Tousif 57, 4. Samurai Blue (3) S.J. Moulin 57, 5. Constable (8) J. Chinoy 52.5, 6. Never Give In (5) Sandesh 52.5, 7. Calistoga (4) G. Vivek 50 and 8. Kalki (7) Abhay S 50.

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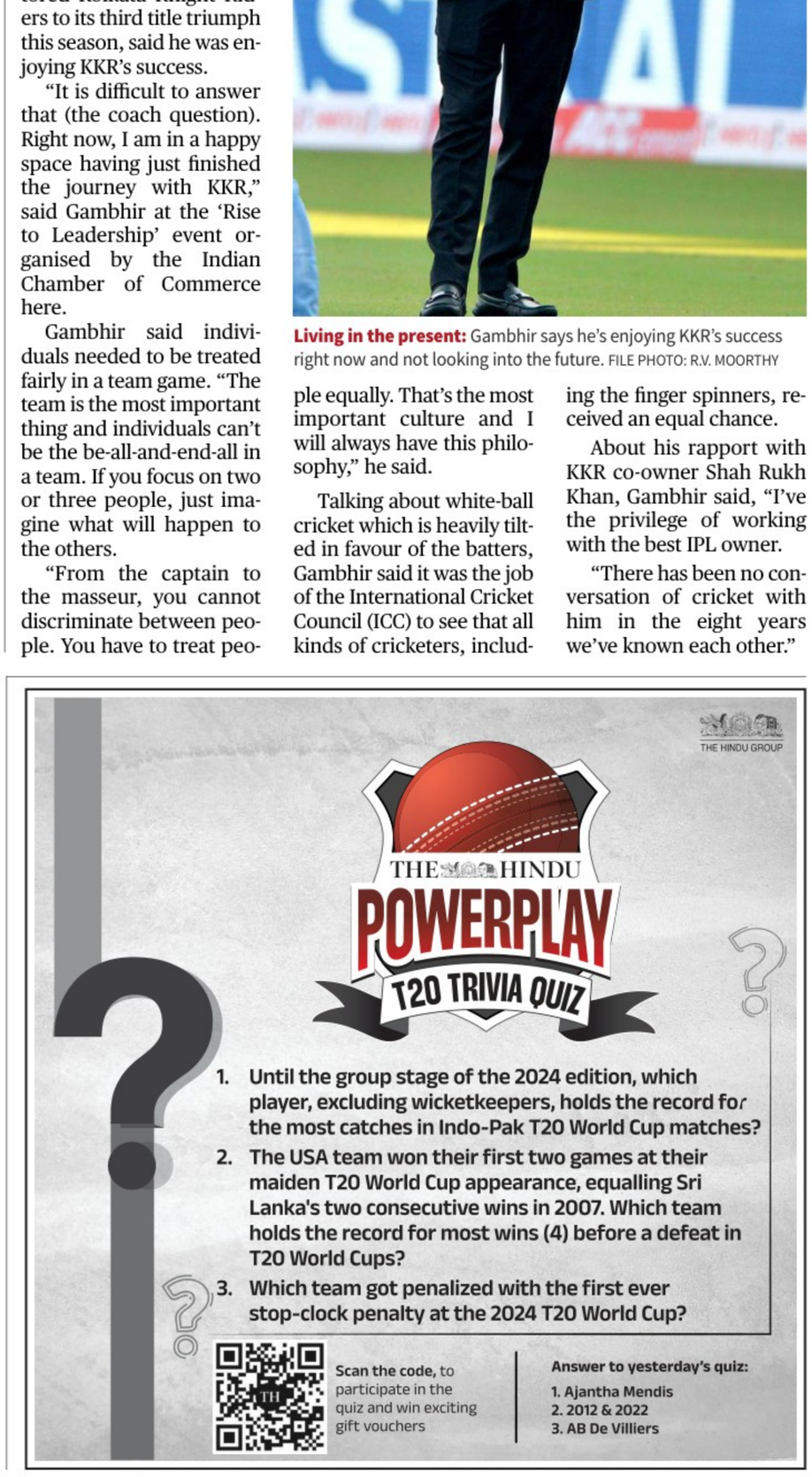

BENGALURU METROPOLITAN TRANSPORT CORPORATION

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No. BMTC/CO/LAB/492/2024-25 Date: 20.06.2024

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION NO:01 /2024-25 (e-Procurement Platform)

BMTC invites offers/bids from the interested persons through e-procurement platform for grant of License for a period of **02 (Two) years** to run the Depot canteen at various Depots/Work Shop on rent free basis. The selected bidder has to pay **Rs.50,000/-** towards Security Deposit & shall pay electricity charges. Last date & time for submission of bids is on **28. 06.2024 at 05:00 PM.** Opening of Financial bids is on **01.07.2024 at 12:30 hrs.**

For details log on to: **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** & Contact no: 080-46010000; 23010901; 22371090; 22340060; 22340948 or 080-22537591 & 080-22537592/ **E-mail: clwo@mybmtc.com.**

Sd/- Chief Labour & Welfare Officer, (Tender inviting Authority)

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No. BDA/EE(East)/TEN/302/2024-25 Date: 20.06.2024

NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR TENDERS (IFT)

(TWO COVER SYSTEM)
(Through GoK e-Procurement platform https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)

Tenders are invited through GoK e-Procurement platform by the Executive Engineer, East Division, BDA, HSR Shopping Complex, HSR Layout, Bengaluru-560 102 on behalf of the Commissioner, BDA, Bengaluru from eligible tenderers. Name of Work: **Formation, Construction of Roads, RCC Drain, CS Plot Demarcation in Sy.No.1,5,6,7,12 to 21 at Konadasapura Village, Bengaluru East Taluk.** EMD: **Rs. 14.34 Lakhs.** For further details, please log on to **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or call e-Procurement help desk on +91 80 46010000, +91 80 68948777 and e-Procurement Cell contact No.080-22230960, 080-22234115

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ABSTRACT BID NOTIFICATION

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KPCL invites bids through GoK e-portal: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** under **"WORKS"** category on **15.06.2024** as per RTPS Requirements for the following works. **1). KPCL/2024-25/PS/WORK_INDENT1427.** Routine/Preventive/breakdown maintenance works and overhauling works of XRP-803 and XRP-903 bowl mills, raw coal feeders, seal air fans, PF pipes and bends, DPMRHS and their auxiliaries of Unit - 5, 6, 7 & 8 for a period of One year 2024-25. **2). KPCL/2024-25/PS/WORK_INDENT1429**. Removed of jammed coal in mill feeders, bowl mills, ducts & chute jams in rejects of Unit- 5, 6, 7 & 8 (XRP-8/903 Mills) for a period of 4 months in 2024-25. **3). KPCL/2024-25/PS/ WORK_INDENT1430**. Routine/Preventive and Breakdown Maintenance of Mill reject handling system(MRHS) and Conveyor belt of size 600mm width of Unit-5, 6 & 7 for a period of one year 2024-25. **4). KPCL/2024-25/PS/WORK_INDENT1431**. House keeping, removal of spillage coal, periodical clearing of drains & their disposal at designated places of Mill area of Units 5 to 8 and clearing of reject coal in the pits of Unit 5 to 7 at RTPS. Last Date & Time for receipt of tenders: For Sl. No. 1, 2 & 4 **28.06.2024, 16:30Hrs.** For Sl. No. 3, **28.06.2024, 16:00Hrs.** Date & Time for Opening of bids: For Sl. No. 1 & 2, **01.07.2024, 11:00Hrs.** For Sl. No. 3, **29.06.2024, 16:30Hrs.** and For Sl. No. 4, **29.06.2024, 17:00Hrs.** All relevant details of the bids are available in the above mentioned e-portal. Further details can be had from the office of the **Executive Engineer(Mill Maintenance-2) RTPS, KPCL, Shaktinagar-584170, Raichur District,** Mobile: **94495 96574,** E-mail: **eemm2rtps@gmail.com,** Website: **https://kpcl.karnataka.gov.in.**

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Office of the Executive Engineer, K. R. Puram Division, Old Madras Road, K. R. Puram, Bengaluru-560 036.

No. EE/KRP/TND/01/2024-25 Date: 20.06.2024

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)

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The Executive Engineer, K. R. Puram Division, BBMP Bengaluru, invites Item Rate tenders from eligible Tenderers registered in BBMP/CPWD/KPWD/MES any State or Central Govt. Organisations for the works details in the table given below.

Sl. No.	Name of work	Estimated Cost (₹. in Lakhs)	EMD (in ₹.)
1.	Improvements to Roads & drains at Jyothipura area at census block number 133/2 of census 2011 in Vijinapura-89.	12.86	32,150/-
2.	Providing Tractor & Labour for maintenance Roads & drains in Ward No.93, Devasandra Ward area.	30.00	60,000/-

Calendar of Events: (1) Last Date for Tender Queries & Clarifications is **26.06.2024 upto 4:00 p.m. (2)** Pre bid meeting will be held on **27.06.2024 at 11:30 a.m. (3)** Last date submission of tender documents on or before **01.07.2024 at 4:00 p.m. (4)** Technical Bids will be opened on **03.07.2024 at 4:30 p.m. (5)** Financial Bids will be opened on **05.07.2024 at 4:30 p.m.**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, K. R. Puram Division, BBMP.

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ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ : ಕೆಐಎಡಿಬಿ/ಎಲ್ಎಕ್ಯೂ/ಬೆಂ.ಗ್ರಾ.ನೆ/316/2024–25 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 14.06.2024

ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ನೋಟೀಸ್ (ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಕೈಗಾರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರದೇಶಾಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 1966ರ ವಿಧಿ 28(4)ರ ಅನ್ವಯ)

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ನೆಲಮಂಗಲ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ತ್ಯಾಮಗೊಂಡ್ಲು ಹೋಬಳಿ, ಹಾದಿಹೊಸಹಳ್ಳಿ ಮತ್ತು ಮದ್ದೇನಹಳ್ಳಿ ಗ್ರಾಮಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂಬರ್ ಜಮೀನುಗಳನ್ನು ಕೈಗಾರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರದೇಶದ ಸ್ಥಾಪನೆಗಾಗಿ ಕೆಐಡಿಬಿ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 1966 ಕಲಂ 28(4)ರಡಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಸಿಐ 242 ಎಸ್‌ಪಿಕ್ಯೂ 2020, ದಿ: 04.06.2024ರ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಹೊರಡಿಸಿ, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಪತ್ರ ದಿ: 10.06.2024ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಿದೆ. ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಕೈಗಾರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರದೇಶಾಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 1966ರ ಕಲಂ 28(4) ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಈ ಕೆಳಗೆ ವಿವರಿಸಿರುವ ಸ್ವತ್ತುಗಳು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ರೀತಿಯ ಋಣಭಾರಗಳಿಂದ ವಿಮುಕ್ತಗೊಂಡು ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ನಿಹಿತಗೊಂಡಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಕ್ಕೆ ಒಳಪಟ್ಟ ಜಮೀನುಗಳ ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂಬರ್ ವಿವರಗಳು

ಕ್ರ. ಸಂ	ಖಾತೆದಾರರ ಹೆಸರು	ಅನುಭವದಾರರ ಹೆಸರು	ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ.	ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಕ್ಕೊಳಪಟ್ಟ ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ		
				ಐನು ಎ–ಗು	ಖರಾಬು ಎ–ಗು	ಉಳಿಕೆ ಎ–ಗು
	ಗ್ರಾಮ:– ಹಾದಿಹೊಸಹಳ್ಳಿ	ಹೋಬಳಿ:– ತ್ಯಾಮಗೊಂಡ್ಲು	ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು:– ನೆಲಮಂಗಲ	ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ:– ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ		
1.	ರುದ್ರಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ನಂಜುಂಡಪ್ಪ, ಹೆಚ್.ವಿ.ಶಿವರುದ್ರಯ್ಯ ಬಿನ್ ವೀರಣ್ಣ, ಕಿಡಿಯಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ, ಲಕ್ಷ್ಮಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ವೀರಭದ್ರಪ್ಪ, ವಿ. ಬಸವರಾಜು ಬಿನ್ ವೀರಣ್ಣ, ಮಂಜು ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ವಿ.ಸಿದ್ದಗಂಗಯ್ಯ, ವಿರೂಪಾಕ್ಷಯ್ಯ ಬಿನ್‌ಲೇ. ವಿ. ಸಿದ್ದಗಂಗಯ್ಯ, ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಹೆದ್ದಾರಿ, ರುದ್ರಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ವೀರಭದ್ರಯ್ಯ, ಶಿವರಾಜು ಬಿನ್ ಕಿಡಿಯಪ್ಪ, ಗಂಗರಾಜು ಬಿನ್ ಕಿಡಿಯಪ್ಪ	ರುದ್ರಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ನಂಜುಂಡಪ್ಪ, ಹೆಚ್.ವಿ.ಶಿವರುದ್ರಯ್ಯ ಬಿನ್ ವೀರಣ್ಣ, ಕಿಡಿಯಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಚನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ, ಲಕ್ಷ್ಮಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ವೀರಭದ್ರಪ್ಪ, ವಿ. ಬಸವರಾಜು ಬಿನ್ ವೀರಣ್ಣ, ಮಂಜು ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ವಿ.ಸಿದ್ದಗಂಗಯ್ಯ, ವಿರೂಪಾಕ್ಷಯ್ಯ ಬಿನ್‌ಲೇ. ವಿ. ಸಿದ್ದಗಂಗಯ್ಯ, ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಹೆದ್ದಾರಿ, ರುದ್ರಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ವೀರಭದ್ರಯ್ಯ, ಶಿವರಾಜು ಬಿನ್ ಕಿಡಿಯಪ್ಪ, ಗಂಗರಾಜು ಬಿನ್ ಕಿಡಿಯಪ್ಪ	2ರ ಪೈಕಿ	0-01½	-	0-01½
2.	ಚಿದಾನಂದ. ಡಿ.ಕೆ. ಬಿನ್ ಕಂಬೇಗೌಡ, ಕೆ.ನಾರಾಯಣಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇಟ್ ಕೆಂಪಯ್ಯ	ಚಿದಾನಂದ. ಡಿ.ಕೆ. ಬಿನ್ ಕಂಬೇಗೌಡ, ಕೆ.ನಾರಾಯಣಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇಟ್ ಕೆಂಪಯ್ಯ	3/2ಎ1	1-23	0-01	1-22
3.	ಕೆ.ವಿ. ಯಾಲಕ್ಕಿಗೌಡ ಬಿನ್ ಕೆ. ವೆಂಕಟಗಿರಿಯಪ್ಪ	ಕೆ.ವಿ. ಯಾಲಕ್ಕಿಗೌಡ ಬಿನ್ ಕೆ. ವೆಂಕಟಗಿರಿಯಪ್ಪ	3/2ಎ2 ರ ಪೈಕಿ	1-34	0-02	1-32
4.	ಕೆ.ವಿ. ಯಾಲಕ್ಕಿಗೌಡ ಬಿನ್ ಕೆ. ವೆಂಕಟಗಿರಿಯಪ್ಪ	ಕೆ.ವಿ. ಯಾಲಕ್ಕಿಗೌಡ ಬಿನ್ ಕೆ. ವೆಂಕಟಗಿರಿಯಪ್ಪ	3/3 ರ ಪೈಕಿ	0-29	-	0-29
5.	ಚಿದಾನಂದ ಡಿ.ಕೆ. ಬಿನ್ ಕಂಬೇಗೌಡ, ಕೆ. ನಾರಾಯಣಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇಟ್ ಕೆಂಪಯ್ಯ	ಚಿದಾನಂದ ಡಿ.ಕೆ. ಬಿನ್ ಕಂಬೇಗೌಡ, ಕೆ. ನಾರಾಯಣಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇಟ್ ಕೆಂಪಯ್ಯ	3/4	0-30.12	0-02	0-28.12
6.	ನಾಗರಾಜು ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಬಸೆಟಪ್ಪ ಭೂ.ಪ	ನಾಗರಾಜು ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಬಸೆಟಪ್ಪ ಭೂ.ಪ	3/5	0-35.12	-	0-35.12
7.	ವಸಿಲಮಣಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಕೆ.ಪಿ. ನಟೇಶ, ಜಗದೀಶನ್ ಎನ್ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಕೆ.ಪಿ. ನಟೇಶನ್, ಎನ್. ವೆಂಕಟೇಶ್ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಕೆ.ಪಿ. ನಟೇಶನ್, ತಿಲ್ಲೈನಾಯಕಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಕೆ.ಪಿ. ನಟೇಶನ್, ಎನ್. ಲಕ್ಷ್ಮೀ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಕೆ.ಪಿ. ನಟೇಶನ್, ಎನ್. ಸರಸ್ವತಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಕೆ.ಪಿ. ನಟೇಶನ್, ಎನ್. ಪದ್ಮಾವತಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಕೆ.ಪಿ. ನಟೇಶನ್, ಟಿ. ಲಕ್ಷ್ಮೀ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ. ಎನ್. ತಿರುನಾವುಕರಸ್	ವಸಿಲಮಣಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಕೆ.ಪಿ. ನಟೇಶ, ಜಗದೀಶನ್ ಎನ್ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಕೆ.ಪಿ. ನಟೇಶನ್, ಎನ್. ವೆಂಕಟೇಶ್ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಕೆ.ಪಿ. ನಟೇಶನ್, ತಿಲ್ಲೈನಾಯಕಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಕೆ.ಪಿ. ನಟೇಶನ್, ಎನ್. ಲಕ್ಷ್ಮೀ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಕೆ.ಪಿ. ನಟೇಶನ್, ಎನ್. ಸರಸ್ವತಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಕೆ.ಪಿ. ನಟೇಶನ್, ಎನ್. ಪದ್ಮಾವತಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಕೆ.ಪಿ. ನಟೇಶನ್, ಟಿ. ಲಕ್ಷ್ಮೀ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ. ಎನ್. ತಿರುನಾವುಕರಸ್	4ರ ಪೈಕಿ	0-00½	-	0-00½
8.	ನಂಜಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಯಲ್ಲಪ್ಪ, ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಹೆದ್ದಾರಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ	ನಂಜಪ್ಪ ಬಿನ್ ಯಲ್ಲಪ್ಪ, ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಹೆದ್ದಾರಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ	41/1	2-14	-	2-14
9.	ಚಿದಾನಂದ ಡಿ.ಕೆ. ಬಿನ್ ಕಂಬೇಗೌಡ, ಕೆ. ನಾರಾಯಣಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇಟ್ ಕೆಂಪಯ್ಯ	ಚಿದಾನಂದ ಡಿ.ಕೆ. ಬಿನ್ ಕಂಬೇಗೌಡ, ಕೆ. ನಾರಾಯಣಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇಟ್ ಕೆಂಪಯ್ಯ	41/2	1-08	-	1-08
10.	ಸೌಭಾಗ್ಯ ಕೋಂ ಲೇಟ್ ಸಿದ್ದರಾಜು	ಸೌಭಾಗ್ಯ ಕೋಂ ಲೇಟ್ ಸಿದ್ದರಾಜು	41/3	1-08	-	1-08
11.	ಸಿದ್ದಗಂಗಯ್ಯ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ, ಮಹಂತಯ್ಯ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ	ಸಿದ್ದಗಂಗಯ್ಯ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ, ಮಹಂತಯ್ಯ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ	41/4	1-08	-	1-08
12.	ವಿ. ಬಸವರಾಜು ಬಿನ್ ವೀರಣ್ಣ, ಮಂಜು ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ವಿ. ಸಿದ್ದಗಂಗಯ್ಯ, ವಿರೂಪಾಕ್ಷಯ್ಯ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ವಿ. ಸಿದ್ದಗಂಗಯ್ಯ	ವಿ. ಬಸವರಾಜು ಬಿನ್ ವೀರಣ್ಣ, ಮಂಜು ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ವಿ. ಸಿದ್ದಗಂಗಯ್ಯ, ವಿರೂಪಾಕ್ಷಯ್ಯ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ವಿ. ಸಿದ್ದಗಂಗಯ್ಯ	43/1ರ ಪೈಕಿ	0-03	-	0-03
13.	ಹೆಚ್.ವಿ. ಶಿವರುದ್ರಯ್ಯ ಬಿನ್ ವೀರಣ್ಣ	ಹೆಚ್.ವಿ. ಶಿವರುದ್ರಯ್ಯ ಬಿನ್ ವೀರಣ್ಣ	43/2ರ ಪೈಕಿ	0-02	-	0-02
14.	ನಾಗರತ್ನಮ್ಮ, ನಾಗರತ್ನಮ್ಮ – ಭೂ.ಪ.	ನಾಗರತ್ನಮ್ಮ, ನಾಗರತ್ನಮ್ಮ – ಭೂ.ಪ.	48/2ರ ಪೈಕಿ	0-01½	-	0-01½
15.	ಗೌರಮ್ಮ, ಗೌರಮ್ಮ – ಭೂ.ಪ.	ಗೌರಮ್ಮ, ಗೌರಮ್ಮ – ಭೂ.ಪ.	48/3ರ ಪೈಕಿ	0-01	-	0-01
16.	ಮಂಜುನಾಥ ವಿ.ಈ. ಬಿನ್ ಈಶ್ವರಯ್ಯ, ಮಂಜುನಾಥ ವಿ.ಈ. ಬಿನ್ ಈಶ್ವರಯ್ಯ ಭೂ.ಪ	ಮಂಜುನಾಥ ವಿ.ಈ. ಬಿನ್ ಈಶ್ವರಯ್ಯ, ಮಂಜುನಾಥ ವಿ.ಈ. ಬಿನ್ ಈಶ್ವರಯ್ಯ ಭೂ.ಪ	48/4ರ ಪೈಕಿ	0-01	-	0-01
17.	M/s. ERSTKEN Biotech Private Limited Rep. by its Director ಮಲ್ಲಿಕಾರ್ಜುನಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಎಂ. ಬಿನ್ ಎಸ್. ಮಹದೇವಯ್ಯ–ಭೂ.ಪ, ಚಂದ್ರಶೇಖರ ಎಂ. ಬಿನ್ ಎಸ್. ಮಹದೇವಯ್ಯ–ಭೂ.ಪ	M/s. ERSTKEN Biotech Private Limited Rep. by its Director ಮಲ್ಲಿಕಾರ್ಜುನಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಎಂ. ಬಿನ್ ಎಸ್. ಮಹದೇವಯ್ಯ–ಭೂ.ಪ, ಚಂದ್ರಶೇಖರ ಎಂ. ಬಿನ್ ಎಸ್. ಮಹದೇವಯ್ಯ–ಭೂ.ಪ	48/5ರ ಪೈಕಿ	0-01	-	0-01
18.	ನಂಜುಂಡಯ್ಯ	ನಂಜುಂಡಯ್ಯ	49/1ರ ಪೈಕಿ	0-01 ½	-	0-01 ½
19.	ನಾಗರಾಜು ಬಿನ್ ಕಿಡಿಯಪ್ಪ	ನಾಗರಾಜು ಬಿನ್ ಕಿಡಿಯಪ್ಪ	49/2ರ ಪೈಕಿ	0-00½	-	0-00½
20.	ರುದ್ರಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಸಿದ್ದಗಂಗಯ್ಯ	ರುದ್ರಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಸಿದ್ದಗಂಗಯ್ಯ	49/3ರ ಪೈಕಿ	0-01	-	0-01

ಕ್ರ. ಸಂ	ಖಾತೆದಾರರ ಹೆಸರು	ಅನುಭವದಾರರ ಹೆಸರು	ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ.	ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಕ್ಕೊಳಪಟ್ಟ ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ		
				ಐನು ಎ–ಗು	ಖರಾಬು ಎ–ಗು	ಉಳಿಕೆ ಎ–ಗು
	ಗ್ರಾಮ:– ಮದ್ದೇನಹಳ್ಳಿ	ಹೋಬಳಿ:– ತ್ಯಾಮಗೊಂಡ್ಲು	ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು:– ನೆಲಮಂಗಲ	ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ:– ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ		
1	ಪುಟ್ಟತಾಯಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ರುದ್ರಪ್ಪ, ನಾಗರತ್ನಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಶಿವಕುಮಾರ್, ಪುಟ್ಟಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ. ಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ	ಪುಟ್ಟತಾಯಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ರುದ್ರಪ್ಪ, ನಾಗರತ್ನಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಶಿವಕುಮಾರ್, ಪುಟ್ಟಮ್ಮ ಕೋಂ ಲೇ. ಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ	27/2ಎ1 ರ ಪೈಕಿ	0-24	-	0-24
2	ಸಿದ್ದಗಂಗಯ್ಯ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಎಸ್. ರುದ್ರೇಶ್	ಸಿದ್ದಗಂಗಯ್ಯ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇ. ಎಸ್. ರುದ್ರೇಶ್	27/2ಎ2 ರ ಪೈಕಿ	0-05	-	0-05

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ಕ್ರ. ಸಂ.	ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಹೆಸರು	ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಕ್ಕೆ ಒಳಪಟ್ಟ ಬಾಕಿ		
		ಐನು (ಎ–ಗು)	ಖರಾಬು (ಎ–ಗು)	ಬಾಕಿ (ಎ–ಗು)
1	ಹಾದಿಹೊಸಹಳ್ಳಿ	12–05	0–05	12–00
2	ಮದ್ದೇನಹಳ್ಳಿ	0–29	–	0–29
	ಒಟ್ಟು	**12–34**	**0–05**	**12–29**

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Invitation For Tenders (IFT) KW- 4 e-TENDER NOTIFICATION

On behalf of Government of Karnataka tenders are invited in Two cover system for Class-2 & above Contractors registered in PWD for 08 works under 8443-Deposit Contribution (Mining Works-CEPMIZ), Head of accounts in the jurisidiction of Tumkur Division through KPPP-Portal(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in). The dates are published as below.
(Maximum amount Put to Tender Rs.3171.95 Lakhs, Minimum amount Put to Tender Rs.460.43 Lakhs, Maximum EMD Amt Rs.3171946/- & Minimum EMD Amt Rs.690650/-)
1. Last date for tender information enqueries : 18-07-2024 : 17.30 2. Last date for submission of tender : 19-07-2024: 17.00 3. Date of opening the Technical bid : 20-07-2024 : 17.30. 4. Date of opening the Financial bid : 22-07-2024 : 11.00 Note: Turnover Certificate without UDI Number will not be considered.

Sd/- EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
DIPR/TUM/80/KSMCA/2024-25 PWD DIVISION, TUMKUR.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my client has negotiated to purchase **SCHEDULE PROPERTY** from its owner **HUKKERI BASAVARAJ** s/o late GURUSHANTAPPA, 49 years, No. 560, 16th Main Road, 3rd Stage, 1st Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore 560010, he having purchased from its erstwhile owners **Swetha Priya Shivappa Bisanalli & Shiplashree Shivappa Bisanalli** - both daughters of late Shivappa Veerappa Bisanalli & late Smt. Jeevanamba under a registered Sale Deed.

It is hereby called upon the General Public that if any person/ Institution is having any kind of claims, rights, charges over Schedule Property or any valid objections to the proposed sale transaction, the same be lodged along with supporting documents with the undersigned within **10 (Ten) days** from the date of this publication failing wherein it will be presumed that there are no claims, objections over SCHEDULE PROPERTY OR for its sale, and thereafter my client shall complete the sale transaction. The claims, objections received after **10 days** shall not be binding on my client.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of vacant residential property bearing **BDA Site No. 283**, BBMP Khatha No. 283, **PID**. No. 15-45-283 in BBMP Old Ward No. 15, New Ward No. 99 (Rajajinagar Ward), situated at 1st Stage, 2nd Phase, West of Chord Road, Bangalore (previously known as Site No. 89 in Survey No. 21/1 of Shivanahalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk), measuring East to West 45 Feet, North to South 30 Feet totally measuring 1,350 Square Feet and bounded on:

East by : Property bearing Site No. 279,
West by : Road,
North by : Property bearing Site No. 284,
South by : Property bearing Site No. 282.

Sd/-
Bangalore,
Date: **21-06-2024**
SANTOSH KUMAR. H. DESHPANDE.
Advocate, SHRI LAW CHAMBERS,
AST Complex, 19th Main, 1st 'N' Block,
Rajajinagar, Bangalore- 560010./ **Ph : 98440 05045**

PUBLIC NOTICE

WILASA
GRAND VILLAMENTS

NOTICE is hereby given to the general public not to deal with or enter into any agreement to purchase / lease / leave and licence / sale deed or any other arrangement for any of the residential villaments bearing Unit Nos. **A2, A3, E5, H3, H5, I3, I5, J3, J5, K3, K5, L2, L4, L5, M2, M4, N2, N3, N4, 0-4, 0-5, P2, P4, P5, Q4, Q5, R1, S1, T3, T4, T5, U4, U5, V1, V3, V4, V5, W4, W5, X2, X3, X4, X5, Z001, Z002, Z003, Z004, Z101, Z102, Z202, Z303, Z403, Z304, Z404** and the commercial block located in the project **"Wilasa Grand Villaments"** situated at "Raja Farms", Sy. No. 35/3 of Doddakallasandra Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, from any of the following persons, namely **M/s.G.R.Nataraj Hindu Joint Family, Mr.G.R.Nataraj, Mrs.Suneetha Nataraj, Mr.Charan G.R., Mr.Sharan G.R. and Mrs.Vidya Mallik** in lieu of the fact that interim orders have been passed in the pending arbitration proceedings between M/s. Pride and Expert Properties Pvt. Ltd., G.R. Nataraj Hindu Joint Family and Tanvi Asset Holdings LLP as well as in O.S. No. 7060/2023 not to alienate the aforesaid units and the above said persons themselves have undertaken before the Hon'ble Orbitral Tribunal to maintain status quo in respect of all the aforesaid units.

Contrary to the same and in contempt of the orders of the Hon'ble Arbitral Tribunal, we are reliably informed that they are attempting to defraud / cheat innocent persons by entering into sale / lease / leave and licence and other transactions with them by collecting substantial amounts towards the sale consideration / deposits agreed to with such persons. Any person/s failing to desist and proceeding further to deal with the aforesaid persons in respect of the aforesaid units despite this notice, will be doing so at their own risk and cost and they will also be liable to be proceeded against for the offence of Contempt of Court.

M/s. B.K. Sampath Kumar & Associates,
Suraj Sampath, Advocate,
Advocates & Solicitors
Ph: 080 2224 5459, 080 2224 7181, 9845020105

Place: Bangalore **Date: 17.06.2024**

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ

ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿಗಳ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ, ಶ್ರೀ ಮಲೈ ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ,

ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರಬೆಟ್ಟ, ಹನೂರು ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ಚಾಮರಾಜನಗರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ

ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 08225–272128 Email : sec.mmtemple@gmail.com

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಶ್ರೀ ಮ.ಮ.ಕ್ಷೇ.ಅ.ಪ್ರಾ/3/ಪಿಆರ್/30/2023–24 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 14–06–2024

ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ 2ನೇ ಕರೆ (ದ್ವಿ ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿ)

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಮಾತ್ರ

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1.	ಪ್ರತಿನಿತ್ಯ ಬಂಗಾರದ ರಥೋತ್ಸವ ಮಾಡಿಸುವ ಸೇವಾರ್ಥದಾರರಿಗೆ ವಿತರಿಸಲು ಬೇಕಾಗಿರುವ 200 ಗ್ರಾಂ ತೂಕ, 3.50 ಇಂಚು ವ್ಯಾಸವಿರುವ ತಾಮ್ರದ ಚೆಂಬು ಹಾಗೂ 300 ಗ್ರಾಂ ತೂಕವುಳ್ಳ 9.50 ಇಂಚು ವ್ಯಾಸವುಳ್ಳ cu–93% ಇರುವ ತಾಮ್ರದ ತಟ್ಟೆ ಸೇರಿ ಒಂದು ಸೆಟ್ಟು ಹಾಗೂ ಸದರಿ ತಟ್ಟೆಯ ಮೇಲ್ಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಶ್ರೀಸ್ವಾಮಿಯ ಬಂಗಾರದ ರಥೋತ್ಸವವಿರುವ ಭಾವಚಿತ್ರದೊಡನೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಶ್ರೀಮಲೈ ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ, ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರಬೆಟ್ಟ ಎಂದು ಮುದ್ರಿಸಿ 60 ಸಾವಿರ ಸೆಟ್ಟ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು 2024–25ನೇ ಅವಧಿಗೆ ಒದಗಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಒಳಪಟ್ಟು ಎಲ್ಲಾ ತೆರಿಗೆಗಳು ಸೇರಿ	425.00	4,25,000.00

ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಡೌನ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದು ಮತ್ತು ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ಅವಧಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 14–07–2024 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆ ಒಳಗಾಗಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದ ವಿಷಯ ನಿರ್ವಾಹಕರ ಮೊಬೈಲ್ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 9886306737 ನ್ನು ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದು.

ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆಯಡಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಷೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳು ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನಂತಿವೆ.

1.	ಇ–ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳು ಚಾಲ್ತಿಗೆ ಬರುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ	ದಿನಾಂಕ: 15–06–2024	ರ ನಂತರ
2.	ಗುಣಮಟ್ಟ ಮಾದರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪೂರ್ವಭಾವಿ ಸಭೆ (Sample Tender pre bid meeting)	ದಿನಾಂಕ: 02–07–2024	ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 12.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ
3.	ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಡೌನ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಲು ಮತ್ತು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ಕಾಲ	ದಿನಾಂಕ: 15–07–2024	ಸಂಜೆ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ
4.	ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್‌ನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ಕಾಲ	ದಿನಾಂಕ: 17–07–2024	ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆ ನಂತರ
5.	ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್‌ನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ಕಾಲ	ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆಯ ನಂತರ	

ಸಂ: ವಾಸಾಸಂಇ:ಚಾನಗರ:36:2024–25
ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ, ಶ್ರೀ ಮಲೈ ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ, ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರಬೆಟ್ಟ

KARNATAKA INDUSTRIAL AREAS DEVELOPMENT BOARD

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
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No. IADB/ENGG/ETND-EP-07/194/2024-25 Date: 21.06.2024

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

(Through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Only)

Item rate Tenders under two cover system are invited as per the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999 and Rules 2000 through electronic procurement from eligible Class-II & above (Electrical) Contractors registered in KCEI who have got adequate financial resources & sufficient past experience for the following works as per the schedule given below:

Name of the works: 1) Shifting and Rerouting of HT/LT lines which are obstructing the formation of roads at Obalapura Industrial Area, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District. **(Category:Others). 2)** Providing Bus coupler to LT control panel & other electrical related works at Yadmuri pumphouse, Mandya District. **(Category : SC). 3)** Shifting and Rerouting of HT/LT lines at plot No. 553P-15, 548A, 83A & 411 and extension of LT line at road No. 20 of Vasanthanarasapura Industrial Area 1st & 2nd phase, Tumkuru District.**(Category:ST). 4)** Reconditioning, Operation and Maintenance of streetlights at Kadechur Industrial Area, Yadgir District. **(Category:SC). 5)** Extension of electrical line infrastructure from plot No. 1 to Plot No. 14 in Womens Entrepreneurs park, Phase-1, Thandya 2nd phase IA, Nanjangudu Taluk, Mysuru District. **(Category:Others). 6)** Providing power infrastructure & Street light Block No. 9 of EPIP Industrial Area, Ganjimutt, Mangalore Taluk, Dakshina Kannada District. **(Category:Others).**

The last date and time of receipt of tender is : **08.07.2024** upto **4.00 pm.**

Applicants May Download Bidding Documents from the E-Procurement Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sd/-
DIPR/CP/500/Zen/2024-25 **Chief Engineer-1, KIADB Bengaluru**

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
ZILLA PANCHAYAT, HASSAN
DISTRICT HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE OFFICE, HASSAN

Phone No.08172-246832 Fax No.08172-246575

SHORT TERM TENDER-2ND CALL NOTIFICATION - CORRIGENDUM

As per Tender Specification Karnataka e-Procurement 1)SHORT TERMTENDER Tender reference No.HDH/EST(6)/Outsource/55/2023-24, Dated:12-06-2024. 2)Submission of application through e-procurement Date:12-06-2024 to 25-06-2024 on 04.00 PM 3)Technical Tender Documents opening Date & Time 26-06-2024 on 05.00 AM 4)Original Documents verification Date & Time 28-06-2024 on 11.00 AM 5)Financial bid opening date and time 29-06-2024 on 11.00 AM or further extended date 6)Total tender amount Rs.110.00 (lakhs) per month Rs.1320.00 (lakhs) per year 7)Total E.M.D amount Rs.13,20,000/- (13.20 lakhs) 8)If any details for contact District Health and Family Welfare Officer, Hassan Phone: 08172-246832 Email-dhohassan@gmail.com For More Details https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in •The Tender accepting authority reserves the right to accept / reject /cancel the tender without assigning any reasons there off. •The Details in this regard may be obtained from the office of the District Health and Family Welfare Officer, Hassan. •We publish any amendments regarding this tender only on e-procurement portal.

Sd/- District Health and Family Welfare Officer, Hassan

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FIDE team inspects venues in Chennai

New Delhi and Singapore are other contenders for hosting the World championship match

S. Prasanna Venkatesan
CHENNAI

A two-member team from FIDE conducted an inspection to evaluate the possible World Championship match (D. Gukesh vs. Ding Liren) and player accommodation venues in the city on Friday.

The FIDE planning and development commission secretary, Kermen Goryaeva, and head of public relations, Anna Volkova, inspected the convention hall at the Chennai Trade Centre complex and Jawaharlal Nehru indoor stadium as potential venues for the match, and three hotels – ITC Grand Chola, Hyatt Regency, and Taj Connemara – for player accommodation. The Leela Palaceis also being considered for accommodation. FIDE has received bids to host the event in Chennai, New Delhi, and Singapore. Volkova said that separate teams are visiting each location for inspection, and FIDE will announce the venue by the end of June.

FIDE's Goryaeva and Volkova.
B. VELANKANNI RAJ

Maharaja Trophy to be held from Aug. 15

CRICKET

Sports Bureau
BENGALURU

The Maharaja Trophy KSCA T20 will be held from August 15 to September 1, the Karnataka State Cricket Association announced on Friday.

And like last time, the six-team franchise T20 tournament will be held entirely in the State capital, depriving passionate fans from cities like Hubballi and Mysuru from catching a glimpse of their favourite teams and stars.

According to Shavir Tarapore, joint secretary, KSCA, the decision was necessitated by the advance of the Southwest monsoon, and the presence of the state-of-the-art drainage system at the Chinnaswamy Stadium which will ensure minimum stoppage of play.

"Of course, the broadcasters (Star Sports) also have a big role to play and they wanted it here," Tarapore added. It is to be noted that 2024 will only be the third time in 11 editions that KSCA's flagship T20 tournament will be confined to the M. Chinnaswamy Stadium.

League from end-June

To a pointed question whether the KSCA was prioritising the franchise game when league cricket – in a departure from the past – was yet to start, Tarapore clarified that matches in the first three divisions would be beginning from June 29.

For this year's Maharaja Trophy, teams will be allowed to retain a certain number of players, details of which will emerge in due course. A player auction will then be conducted to finalise the rosters.

Indian cricket legend E.A.S. Prasanna, who was in attendance at the media briefing on Friday, hoped that the event would provide a good platform for aspiring cricketers from the State.

'Once Dhoni believes in you, he won't give up on you'

CHENNAI: During his book launch, R. Ashwin spoke about his relationship with M.S. Dhoni. "He didn't even know someone like me existed in 2008. So I made it my life's goal to get his wicket. In a Challenger Trophy match, I beat his bat but the ball missed the stumps by a whisker. But I took his catch and celebrated like crazy. I also got him out in the final. After that, I think he saw somebody with skill and the relationship matured. One of MS's qualities is that if he decides that this horse is not ready to race, he will not use you. But if he knows you are ready, he will look past you only when you feel like giving up."

BENGALURU ROUND-UP

Atharv and Pragyan's tons highlight Vultures' thumping win

Centuries from Atharv Malviya (120) and Pragyan Hota (100) helped Vultures thrash Neptune by 224 runs in the KSCA (Group I) U-19 inter-club tournament.

The scores: Vultures 358/4 in 50 overs (Atharv Malviya 120, Pragyan Hota 100, Arnav Mishra 26, K.P. Karthikeya 31, Manikanth Shivanand 34 n.o.) bt Neptune 134 in 28.5 overs (Yashas V. Murthy 32, Jayanth R. Gowda 4/28).

Bharath 183 in 40 overs (Karan Singh 42, Akash G. Kulkarni 37, Neel M. Jain 4/34) bt RVCE Gymkhana 133 in 39.2 overs (Mohammad Zaid Attar 27 n.o., Aarush Mishra 3/18, S. Monish 3/23).

Modern 260 in 50 overs (Nishchinth Parmashwar 73, Anirudha S.Athreya 28, Mohammed Waheed Qureshi 66, K. Preetham Raj 4/39, T. Chinmay 3/47) bt Ranji 109 in 30.3 overs (R. Himesh 4/12).

Vijaya, Malur 269/7 in 50 overs (Amogh R. Shetty 63, Harshil Arigala 43, Shaurya Manish 32, Rishabh Manoj Thakur 61, Ayush S. Kumar 3/41) bt Friend's XI, Doddaballapura 222 in 48 overs (Sanchit Kumar 27, Ansh Agrawal 89 n.o., C. Chahal Chandra 3/30, Rishabh Manoj Thakur 3/35).

Jawahar SC (1) 116 in 27.2 overs (Athish Karthik Kumar 47, M. Malatesh 3/6) lost to Hammonds 117/5 in 30.3 overs (Dhruv Santhosh Rao 34, Yajath Sai c 37, Harish Raghavan 3/34).

BEL Colony RC 131 in 42.2 overs (Karthik Govind Rathod 26, Rhean Alaric Pereira 4/32) lost to Visweswarampuram (2) 134/6 in 33 overs (Akshaj Kathuria 68).

Palar SC, Kolar 224/9 in 40 overs (Vivian Daniel Martis 88, R. Pradyumna 32) bt FUCC (2) 154 in 32.2 overs (Aadithya Vishwa Karma 25, Arsh Arora 28, Dhruv Modhe 29, S. Leshan 4/19) [Match reduced to 40 overs per side because of wet outfield].

Chamarajpet 218 in 46.1 overs (Shivansh Tripathi 37, Siddhanth Smaran 29, Karan Umesh 39, Syed Hussain 3/38, Harshith Ravi 3/56) lost to Wilson Garden 222/6 in 36.2 overs (Drishya Pandey 82, A.S. Dhruv 30, Nihar Sajan 30, Abhay Surya 25 n.o.).

Whirlwind Cricketers 142 in 36.2 overs (Mayura Lakshmikanth 27 n.o., B.R. Rathan 3/20) lost to Young Lions Club 143/3 in 23.4 overs (Shahid Ahmed 57 n.o.).

Chintamani SA 256/4 in 38 overs (Arjun Reddy 41, Taman Ponnanna Maletira 87 n.o., Arnav Sunderraman Iyer 71 n.o.) bt Cavaliers 162 in 35 overs (Ashutosh D. Hiremath 50, Amit D. Kulkarni 37, Shreehaan Arinjai 3/33, Pradyumna Patil 3/8).

Rising Star to take on Bengaluru Blues-B for the honours

Rising Star edged out Kolar DCA 5-3 after a shoot-out to enter the final of the Travancore Cup hockey tournament here. In the summit clash, Rising Star will meet Bengaluru Blues-B that defeated Coorg Direwolves 2-0.

The results (semifinals): Rising Star 1 (Sethu 23) bt Kolar DCA 1 (Ravi Bharathi 47) [5-3 after shoot-out]; Bengaluru Blues-B 2 (Hari Krishnan 6, Sethu Pandian 42) bt Coorg Direwolves 0.

Aakash and Kushi triumph

K.J. Aakash and V. Kushi emerged the men's and women's singles champions respectively at the State-ranking table tennis tournament being held here.

The results: Men: K.J. Aakash bt P. Yeshwanth 9-11, 11-8, 11-4, 13-11, 11-8; U-19: Rohith Shankar bt Varun B. Kashyap 11-3, 11-6, 11-8, 11-1; U-17: N. Aarnav bt B.R. Gaurav 11-6, 12-14, 11-5, 11-8.

Women: V. Kushi bt Anargya Manjunath 7-11, 11-4, 5-11, 11-8, 9-11, 11-9, 11-5; U-19: Sahana H. Murthy bt Himanshi Chowdhary 11-7, 11-5, 12-10, 11-4; U-17: Tanishka Kapil Kalbhairav bt Himanshi Chowdhary 11-9, 11-4, 9-11, 11-6.